

C. P. R. ANTAGONISTIC TO ALL RED ROUTE

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy Says, "From Commercial Viewpoint Scheme Is Impossible"—"It Is an Absurdity."

(C. P. R. Dispatch).
Montreal, Dec. 8.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, was interviewed to-day regarding the All Red route, which an influential deputation representing the Blackhead Bay scheme is now visiting Canada, Sir Thomas said: "If in this proposed All Red route scheme, the mails are chiefly to be considered, it is conceivable that for this purpose governmental subvention might be applied for the realization of certain advantages in this regard. On the other hand, if the commercial principle is considered with a view, through profit, to lessen or eliminate governmental subvention, it is an absurdity."

Being asked what the attitude of the C. P. R. will be should the new project be actually set on foot, Sir Thomas said: "The duty of the C. P. R. would be as it has been in the past, to protect its own business, to extend its advantages, to preserve and enlarge the trade which it has built up, alike as a great carrying, and steamship company."

"We are, perhaps, the largest carriers on this continent. Our business is to get and to handle trade. We have had some experience. We think we know something of the needs of trade. We are also a steamship company, and we have studied this end with the object of ascertaining the exact conditions."

"We put on the two Empresses, and they are paying boats. We saw the need and we met it. But the difference between the Empresses from the point of view of cost, of expense to handle, and any type which would give the highest possible speed, is simply enormous, and in my opinion would not be justified, from the commercial point of view, which is the chief consideration with a company like the C. P. R. I don't say that the necessary limit of speed has been absolutely reached. On the contrary, the C. P. R., either of its own notion or in co-operation, might be disposed to put faster vessels on the St. Lawrence route, but with the distinct understanding that such must proceed to Liverpool or some other English port. Nor need this idea absolutely exclude the possibility of an arrangement by which there might be a landing of the mails in Ireland. But the present proposal makes either St. John or Halifax the all-the-year port, and ignores the St. Lawrence route. The Lawrence route has a great attraction for travellers, and I would consider its loss or its neglect almost in the light of a national calamity."

"Of course," continued Sir Thomas, "the St. Lawrence needs improvement, efficient lighting and buoying, a clear and sufficient channel. So, too, does the Atlantic Coast need careful attention to reduce to a minimum the chance of accident, but with ample provision and facility you have in the St. Lawrence, during the summer, a most desirable route, which now a few travellers coming to the Gulf, desire to prolong for the beauty which marks it, and as to the matter of time, there would be little difference as far as the clock is concerned between the Halifax route and the St. Lawrence route, for, if you consider the time taken up by the train journey, there would be very little gained over the St. Lawrence route in the summer."

From the commercial point of view, Sir Thomas considered the All Red route impossible. It being suggested to Sir Thomas that it was contended that the last line would create a special class of travel, he observed that this was precisely the class which the C. P. R. has already covered.

"We are in the business. We are on the ground. We know where to look for business. Neither the C. P. R. nor other companies have been waiting for others to enter the field to get new business."

"What about the other lines in the business?"
"It is true that the Cunard people built the Lusitania and the Mauretania in a spasm, occasioned by a scare lest the American mercantile marine, engineered by Pierpont Morgan, would wrest the supremacy from the British shipping companies, but aside from the two extreme types, the Cunard people have not duplicated the Campania or Lucania. On the contrary, since the Campania and the Lucania, they have built the Carmania and Saronia, safe but not fast boats. In the case of the Hamburg-American line, how is it that the Deutschland has not been repeated, and that all the subsequent boats are of the normal character, such as the president Lincoln, President Grant and the Amerika, the latest which is of the normal seven-day type?"

"The Deutschland, by the way, is now on the Mediterranean trade, she has made before now the trip from New York to Plymouth in five days seven hours and three minutes. She has maintained an average of 23.51 knots per hour during an entire voyage. She has covered in a single day 601 knots. In spite, however, of this great record for speed, she was taken off the New York route and put upon a slow tourist course, which accommodates people of leisure in the winter time."

"The White Star line," continued Sir Thomas, "has been content with the Arabic, Baltic, and Cedric, and has not, apparently tried to capture this special class of traffic, which has been alluded to. This might be deemed to be a little singular, seeing that these companies have been a long time in business, that they might be supposed to have experience, and especially a certain ability in providing for all the traffic that offered. An extreme type has been built by the Hamburg-American line, but the company which built it did not repeat the type. They have built boats of great capacity and of reasonable speed, but they have not striven for speed as the supreme consideration. They have planned for capacity, and comfort and security."

"You would deem this to be significant?"
"Naturally, it is worth noting, because the companies mentioned are not tyros. Their business is to study conditions and meet them as they arise, and the fact is that there is no disposition to build new vessels designed to reach speed limits."

"At the same time, this does not exclude the possibility of greater speed realizable on your own Canadian route?"
"No sir, I do not say for a moment that there might not be a greater speed on our route, and I am not unfriendly to a reasonable increase but on the lines of the present proposal, not as supporting the Blackhead Bay route, and not as neglecting our own St. Lawrence route, which with every improvement made which it is possible to make, would be one of the greatest attractions to American travellers."

"It has been suggested that the C. P. R. would offer an active opposition to this new venture, should it be actually set on foot."
"The president thought a minute—'This company will continue to protect its interests. It will continue to increase its business by the means at its disposal. We are working upon commercial lines. The company has to consider the interests of its proprietors.'"

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HOLDERS OF STANLEY CUP.

Famous Wanderer Hockey Team to Play Three Matches in Winnipeg at Christmas Time.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 9.—Arrangements have been completed for the visit here during Christmas week of the Wanderer Hockey team, champions of the world, and holders of the classic Stanley cup. The team will leave Montreal for Winnipeg on the evening of December 22nd, and play three games here. The first will be played on Christmas eve, the second on Christmas night, and the third on December 28th. Immediately after the final game, or at least no later than the morning of December 29th, the crack Montrealers will leave for home, arriving on December 31st, in time to let the players rest for New Year's game for the benefit of Hod Stuart's widow.

ACTRESS ENGAGED.

Mlle Lebarry to Marry Claude Cassimir Perier, son of Late French President.

Paris, Dec. 9.—The Matin this morning announces the engagement of the well known actress Mlle Lebarry and Claude Cassimir Perier, son of the late president.

ELEMENTS IN CHINESE CRISIS

GREAT BRITAIN TAKES DETERMINED STAND

Will End Fifty Years of Piracy on West River—Influences of Japanese School.

Pekin, Dec. 9.—The Imperial Customs department, of which Sir Robt. Hart is director-general, setting aside previous objections, is now prepared to proceed with the policing of the West River according to the plans of Great Britain.

In the face of much opposition from the officials of Kuantung province, the department is pressing forward in its purpose to end fifty years of piracy. Great Britain is showing a determination in the present crisis to effect a steady influence on the Chinese government, which is asking time to manage the angry provincials.

An unexpected element in the situation is the fact that the Chinese newspapers to-day sent out broadcast the London Times correspondent's dispatch, which is optimistic on Chinese progress, encourages the control by China of its own and foreign interests in its own country, and anticipates the withdrawal of foreign troops from China.

The British newspapers published here condemn this optimism as unjustified. Three of the most prominent Englishmen in Peking deprecate it severely and apprehend an aggravation of the sinister influences which the Japan schooled Chinese are exercising over the people.

It is the general opinion that the dispatch will become a weapon for an anti-foreign crusade.

'FRISCO BANKER FLED FROM CITY

President of California Safe Deposit Company Arrested at Santa Barbara.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 9.—David W. Walker, president of the California Safe Deposit Company, which closed its doors in November, was found speeding south on a Southern Pacific train last night when he was supposed to be at his San Mateo home. He was placed under arrest and taken from the train at Santa Barbara.

Shortly after the arrest of Bankers Brown and Bartlett last night detectives were hurried to San Mateo to keep President Walker, of the bank, under surveillance, but finding he had already left his home, trailed him down to Santa Barbara, where he was held.

It was determined on Saturday to investigate the affairs of the Fillmore street branch of the California Safe Deposit & Trust Company, looking to the arrest of the officers for embezzlement. The investigation was continued yesterday, and according to a statement issued last night by the committee and the attorneys, the officers of the bank took practically all the money deposited at the Fillmore street branch, and loaned it to stockholders in large sums, to themselves, and to mythical companies.

TREATY WITH JAPAN.

(C. P. R. Dispatch).
In Bringing Oriental Question Before House, B. C. Members Will Insist on Terms Being Observed.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—It is understood that the British Columbia members will insist in their speeches that the terms of the immigration question that the terms entered into by Canada with Japan at the time of the treaty must be observed. As already said the debate takes place next Monday.

AGED EUROPEAN MONARCH IS DEAD

RULED SWEDEN FOR THIRTY FIVE YEARS

End Hastened by Rupture With Norway in 1905—Succeeded by Gustave.

Stockholm, Dec. 9.—King Oscar II. died at 9.15 o'clock this morning. The King has been in ill-health since the separation of Norway and Sweden as a dual monarchy, in 1905.

He is succeeded by his eldest son, Oscar Gustave Adolf, who will be known as King Gustave.

Embalming Body.

Stockholm, Dec. 9.—The body of King Oscar of Sweden, who died yesterday morning, is being embalmed. The necessary arrangements for the funeral probably will necessitate delaying this ceremony for a fortnight. Queen Victoria, wife of King Gustave, arrived here this morning.

His Reign.
The late King of Sweden, and of the Goths and Vandals, Oscar II., was born on January 21st, 1829, and succeeded to the throne on the 18th of September, 1872. He married in 1857 Sophia, daughter of the late Duke William of Nassau, who in 1901 predeceased him at the age of 65. The issue was four sons, the eldest of whom, Oscar Gustave Adolf, Duke of Warmland, and Crown Prince of Sweden, succeeds his father on the throne.

The reign of the late King, while marked with many political tumults, which resulted in the dissolution of Norway and Sweden, saw both countries prosper along all lines of industry. The event of most historical importance, the dissolution of the two countries after 91 years of union, was the culmination of many years of unrest in Norway, where in 1859 the first note of dissatisfaction was heard. Ten years later, in 1869, Oscar allowed the flag to be made "pure," the symbol of unity being taken up.

The actual rupture came in 1905, when a bill introduced by the Norwegian Corting was not countenanced by the king. The bill asked for a separate consular service for Norway, and following its rejection the Norwegian house declared the union dissolved and Oscar II. deposed.

The eyes of European nations at this



LATE KING OSCAR II. OF SWEDEN

time were focussed on the contending factions, as it was thought that war would result from Storting's action. The Swedish house, however, decided to put the matter of dissolution before the people of Norway, and the latter immediately declared for separation in overwhelming majorities. A conference of delegates sat from August 21st to September 23rd, 1905, at which matters were amicably adjusted. As soon as the union, which had been in effect since it was brought about by General Bernadotte at the Vienna congress in 1814, when Norway was taken from Denmark, was dissolved, the present King of Norway, Haakon VII., was crowned.

Although a grandson of General Bernadotte, into whose hands the reins of government fell during the reign of Charles XIV., and who succeeded the latter as King in 1818, the late ruler of Sweden, during his long and prosperous sovereignty, quite overcame the prejudice which existed in many quarters against the old alien King and his offspring. Indeed, more so than his two predecessors, King Oscar II. won the respect not only of his own people, but of the whole world. Even now, when Norway is at the gateway of a new era, the news of his death has wrung the hearts of its people who have separated from their sister nation in a commercial and constitutional sense only.

The new King, Oscar Gustave Adolf, was born on June 16th, 1859, and in 1881 married Victoria, daughter of the Grand Duke of Baden.

FATE OF 120 MEN.

Three Newfoundland Fishing Vessels, Which Left Miquelon in October, Given Up for Lost.

Palmpet, France, Dec. 9.—Three Newfoundland fishing vessels, the Anglo, Jacques, and Croisade, with 120 men, have been given up for lost, as they have not been reported since October, when they left Miquelon.

STUDENT DISORDERS.

Over 100 Arrests Made in St. Petersburg—Police Used Whips.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 9.—Student disorders again broke out at the university here, for the first time in several months. On Saturday the police entered the university buildings and dispersed a meeting of students. Over one hundred arrests were made. In the afternoon the streets surrounding the university were patrolled by mounted police, who dispersed little knots of students as they formed, occasionally making use of their whips.

BRUTAL MURDER.

Kansas Proprietor of Restaurant Found Dead—His Partner Arrested.

Cola, Kas., Dec. 9.—W. Stewart, proprietor of a restaurant here, and a member of a prominent family in Yates county, Kas., was murdered near his place of business yesterday. The body bore evidence of several wounds, any one of which would have produced death. Stewart's partner, W. D. Crevlin, is under arrest pending an investigation.

TO RESUME WORK AT GOLDFIELDS

OUTSIDE MINERS ARE DRAFTED INTO CAMP

Trouble Anticipated From Western Federation Men When Operations Commence on Wednesday

Goldfield, Dec. 9.—An authoritative statement was made last night that there were sufficient men already on the ground to work the mines beginning on Wednesday. The total number of those that have been quietly brought in, and those who secretly made application to return to their former positions, is placed at a thousand. There are about 1,500 Western Federation men out now.

The men who are to take the places of the men who are out are not to be housed at the mines, but are to be housed inside, and for the protection of each individual each person will be guaranteed by the mine association.

The propositions have been positively decided upon as the making of an open camp for all time and the early lowering of wages. At the same time the mine owners' association is going to begin a vigorous crusade to lower the cost of living in Goldfield.

The announcement of the determination to open the mines on Wednesday is to be made at noon to-morrow by the Goldfield mine owners' association, and it is expected that some trouble may ensue.

NORTHERN BANK DIVIDEND.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 9.—The Northern Bank has declared a dividend of five per cent for the half year ending December 1st.

GRANBY DEADLOCK IS PROTRACTED

Men Engaged at Outside Work of Smelter—Phoenix Mines Still Closed Down.

Grand Forks, Dec. 9.—On Saturday and to-day about fifteen men went to work at the Granby smelter with special constables stationed at various spots on the works, and to-day about twenty more men have been put to work. Bunches of men from outside points are arriving daily and leaving town just as soon as they ascertain the true state of affairs. There appears to be no likelihood of any rioting, although precautions have been taken to prevent it.

The latest word from Phoenix is that the miners there will not go back to work which means that the smelter cannot resume operations. The men now working at the smelter are engaged on outside work, and it is impossible for the smelter to start up without the mines. Every hour important developments are expected.

PASSENGER TRAINS COLLIDE.

No One Injured in Smash-Up on New York Central Railroad.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Dec. 9.—Two New York Central passenger trains collided at Highlands, south of here, at 6 o'clock this morning. The second section of the Atlantic express, from the west, ran into the rear end of the Northern express from Montreal. It is not known here where anyone was injured.

No One Injured.

New York, Dec. 9.—At the offices of the New York Central Railroad here it is stated that nobody was killed in the wreck and none injured.

RECLAIMING BODIES FROM MONONGAH MINE

Fire Drives Rescuers From Unexplored Part—Volume of After-damp Increasing—Another Explosion Threatened.

Monongah, W. Va., Dec. 9.—Sixty hours after the terrible explosion of black damp, which wrecked mines No. 6 and 8 of the Fairmount Coal Company at this place last Friday, 53 bodies had been brought to the surface, while less than one-fourth of the total number have been actually located. The others, undoubtedly between 300 and 400 in number, lie in unknown sections of the east workings that extend two miles and more back from the main entrance to the mines.

These unlocated bodies are seriously menaced by two destroying elements, by decaying in the overheated humid and vapor poisoned atmosphere at the mines, and by fires that are smouldering here and there in the workings and from time to time bursting into flames.

Steadily the chance is ebbing that these bodies will be brought to the surface, or identified by friends and relatives and given Christian burial.

A large force of skilled miners, volunteers for the hazardous task of rescue, are on the scene ready to re-enter the mine and take up the work where they were forced to leave yesterday when fire broke out in mine No. 7. These men await only the word from Clarence Hall, the expert of the federal government, and J. W. Paul, West Virginia, chief mine inspector.

These two men are now in charge, superseding the officers of the mining company and others, who directed the first rescue work.

New difficulties and complications have confronted the rescuers on every hand, but only with brief interruptions work was continued until 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The fire drove all from the unexplored regions and the search had to be abandoned. The flames have been fought by every possible means, including the laying of a water pipe from the river far into the mine.

The bodies so far recovered are in a horrible condition. An undertaker is the authority for the statement that of 53 bodies handled, only three were intact. Some were headless, arms were missing from some, and legs from others. The conditions of the bodies still in the mine is such that in the interest of the public health, the county health board yesterday, at a special meeting, adopted resolutions calling for the speedy burial of all bodies in a bad state of decomposition.

The volume of after-damp is steadily increasing in the mine and the danger of another explosion is becoming ominous. Several leaks have been found in the brattices which the rescuers put up as they worked their way forward through which gas is seeping in dangerous quantities. These are being repaired as rapidly as possible and every other possible precaution is being taken.

A second explosion would undoubtedly be attended with great loss of life among the crowds that constantly surround the entrances. Forces on hand are powerless to keep these crowds back and it may yet be necessary to call out the militia for that purpose.

Almost from the first it has been said that many of the bodies are in the entries and it would be easy to bring them to the surface, but it is now evident that it is going to require a long time to complete this work. That the company now recognizes this is evidenced by the fact that to-day buildings were equipped for cooking and serving warm meals to the rescuers.

It is estimated that there are between 300 and 400 families of the men who lost their lives now in want. Some of these will later receive insurance but many have nothing to look forward to. Headed by the churches, relief work and a general appeal to the public is being made. Many West Virginia towns have already acted and others are ready to do so.

The fire which broke out in No. 8 mine yesterday, was walled in this morning, and the work of recovering the bodies of the victims of Friday's explosion was resumed.

INJURED IN SIX-DAY GRIND.

Reynolds and Benyon, of British Isles, Collide in New York Bicycle Race.

New York, Dec. 9.—During a terrific sprint in the sixth hour of the international six-day bicycle race, Harry Reynolds, of Balbriggan, Ireland, and James Benyon, of London, England, the Irish-English team in relieving each other, collided, and both were painfully injured that they were unable to continue. At the remaining teams at 8 o'clock this morning had covered 154 miles.

Walthour Drops Out.

New York, Dec. 9.—Bobby Walthour, of Atlanta, who was paced by Matt E. Downey, of Boston, suddenly withdrew from the race at 9:30 a. m., when he had completed 187 miles and one lap. He declared that he had a lame arm and shoulder and that he should be in a hospital instead of racing.

Manager Patrick Powers denied this, and accused Walthour of "quitting." Dr. Kramer, the physician at the track, said that Walthour was in as good condition as any of the men on the track. Walthour's retirement did not disqualify his partner, who had until 1:30 p. m. to-day to secure another partner, and if successful he will suffer the loss of only one lap from the leaders.

DINIZULU SURRENDERS.

Zulu King Held Responsible for Murders and Outrages in Natal.

Pietermaritzburg, Natal, Dec. 9.—Dinizulu has surrendered to the authorities without resistance of any kind.

Dinizulu is the Zulu King who has been held responsible for the threatening situation in Natal, arising from the increasing boldness of the natives, who of late have been indulging in murder and other outrages.

TRAGEDY OF SOLITUDE.

Remains of Soptagannarian Found in Saskatchewan Woods by Hunters.

Whitewood, Sask., Dec. 9.—W. Tilling and a farmer named Jones, while out hunting deer, came upon the remains of a human being in the woods. The matter was reported to the police, and Dr. Bird, the coroner, at once left to visit the spot. After examining the remains it was proved beyond a doubt that they belonged to an old man named Calder. He had wandered from his place a year ago last spring, and since then no trace of his whereabouts had been discovered. Mr. Calder was about 70 years old.

WRECKED IN FRASER CANYON.

C. P. R. Passenger Train Collides With Rock Slide—Engineer and Fireman Injured.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 9.—A west bound C. P. R. passenger train coming down the Fraser canyon on Saturday afternoon collided with a small rock slide.

The engine and two cars were derailed and the engine turned on its side in the ditch. Engineer Ostrom and Fireman Lynton, of Vancouver, were slightly injured.

None of the passengers were severely hurt and the track was cleared early this evening.

DEATH OF MRS. TAFT.

Was Wife of Former Attorney-General and Mother of Present U. S. Secretary of War.

Milburn, Mass., Dec. 8.—Mrs. Louisa M. Taft, mother of Secretary of War, died on Saturday afternoon. She was the widow of Alphonso Taft, secretary of war and attorney-general of the United States under President Grant, and later minister to Austria and Russia.

CARGO OF GOLD BRICK.

Twelve-Day Run at St. Anthony Mine, of Sturgeon Lake, Yields \$2,000.

Fort William, Ont., Dec. 9.—H. A. Wolport, manager of the St. Anthony mine, of Sturgeon Lake, has arrived in the city with \$2,000 in gold brick, the product of twelve days' run of the mine. Mr. Wolport walked from the mine to Ignace, a distance of 90 miles, as the ice over which he had to go was not strong enough to drive upon.

BURNS-PALMER BOXING CONTEST

World's Heavyweight Champion Signs Articles for Match With Noted English Pugilist.

London, Eng., Dec. 9.—Tommy Burns, who defeated Gummie Moir in this city a week ago, and Jack Palmer, of Newcastle signed articles at noon to-day for a match at \$2,500 a side and the best purse offered, to be not less than \$7,500, the winner to take 75 per cent and the loser to take 25 per cent. The match is to occur on, or before, February 7th.

ST. JOHN WATER SUPPLY CUT OFF

Manufacturing Industries Close Down—Serious Inconvenience to Trade Will Result

St. John, N. B., Dec. 9.—The whole water supply on the east side of St. John is cut off to-day, owing to two breaks in the water mains coming to the city. Repairs will not be completed before to-morrow night. In the meantime arrangements are being made to have watering carts distributed water as far as possible. It is expected that all factories and other large establishments in the city, which

take their water from the city mains will have to shut down, and business will be materially interfered with.

A large number of the manufacturing industries are shutting down because of no water. This will be very serious inconvenience to trade. Many people are hauling water from Lily lake near the city, but not enough can be secured this way to supply anything like the necessary amount.

Newspapers are arranging for early editions before the water supply is exhausted. A little water is trickling through the low level pipes but practically the whole city is shut off.

Unless the St. John Railway, Light and Power Company can arrange for a supply, the city will be reduced to hell lamps, and the street cars be stopped. The company has already shut down the gas plant but it has sufficient gas stored to give service to-night.

The boiler at the city jail has blown up and other boiler explosions are expected where fire is not drawing.

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KAISER COMPLETES HIS REST CURE

Arrives in London from Highcliffe Castle Looking in Splendid Health.

London, Dec. 8.—Emperor William of Germany, who has completed his "rest cure" at Highcliffe Castle, arrived in London to-day for three days' sight-seeing. He landed with King Edward at Buckingham Palace and later took up his residence at the German embassy, where he will stay until Wednesday. He will then leave for home. It is his intention to visit Queen Wilhelmina in Holland on his way back to Potsdam. His Majesty looks to be in splendid health.

Highcliffe Castle, where the Emperor has been recuperating, is on the coast, about three miles east of Christchurch, and looks directly across the sea to the Needles. The owner is Lieutenant-Colonel Stuart Wortley, who was formerly British military attaché at Paris, but the present tenant is Sir Alfred Cooper. The situation of the castle was admirably adapted to the Kaiser's purpose, which was to spend a quiet holiday in a mild atmosphere.

Both Highcliffe village and Barton-on-Sea are rising seaside resorts. Highcliffe Castle is situated on the cliffs, and is screened on the land side by a thick plantation of firs.

Built into the castle are many fragments of ancient monastic buildings, and even a part of the ruins of the old Temple of Mars, at Christchurch, so that the castle was a fitting holiday home for one who has been called the Modern Mars.

DOMINION WIRELESS STATION.

Gonzales Hill Exchanged Messages With Steamer President at Distance of 600 Miles.

The latest feat credited to the Dominion government wireless station at Gonzales Hill was accomplished last night when Supt. Haughton succeeded in communicating with the Pacific Coast S.S. Co.'s steamship President when the vessel was off Point Arena, 600 miles down the coast.

The President reported all well, and said that she would reach San Francisco at 5 o'clock this morning. This is the first time that the local station has exchanged messages with any vessel as far away as the President was. The standard ship wave for communication with the British Columbia wireless depots has been set by the government at 300 miles, while the distance between Victoria and Gonzales Hill is, approximately, slightly over 600 miles.

The Dominion station was also in communication with the battleship Nebraska yesterday when the warship was off the Oregon coast.

The importance of the local station's latest accomplishment will be understood when it is pointed out that it will be able to report incoming liners fitted with the same apparatus fully a day before they reach port.

A QUIET WEDDING.

Mr. Harry Nesbitt and Miss O'Keefe United in Marriage Yesterday.

The marriage took place yesterday afternoon of two popular young Victorians, Mr. Harry Nesbitt and Miss Molly O'Keefe. The wedding was a very quiet one, only the immediate friends of the bride and groom being present. The ceremony was performed by His Grace Archbishop O'Leary at the residence of the bride's mother, Fort street.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Kitty O'Keefe, and Mr. Larry O'Keefe supported the groom. In spite of the fact that there were few invitations, many presents were sent by the numerous friends of both the contracting parties.

A honeymoon trip among the Sound cities is being taken, and on their return Mr. and Mrs. Nesbitt will take up their residence on Macleure street.

WAITED ON GOVERNMENT.

Deputation From New Westminster Urged Facilities for Registry Office.

A deputation of citizens from New Westminster waited on the provincial government on Saturday night to urge the necessity for better accommodations for the registry office in that city. The deputation was headed by Thos. Gifford, M. P., and embraced G. E. Corbould, K. C., J. A. Lee, A. E. White and J. D. Taylor.

No definite answer was received from the government on the question, the Premier advising the visitors that the building of a new office was a matter for consideration by the Lands and Works Department.

HELD UP IN VANCOUVER.

James Scranton Sandbagged and Robbed of His Watch.

(Special to the Times). Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Because of the prevalence of robberies and hold-ups in Seattle, the police of that city are driving out the tough element, some of which are coming to Vancouver. Last night occurred the fifth hold-up in this city in a week.

James Scranton was accosted by two men, one of whom struck him on the head with a sandbag rendering him unconscious. When he revived his watch was gone, but his money had been overlooked by the robbers.

BREAKS SHAFT IN GALE.

Red Star Liner Kronland Reports Accident Off Lizard by Wireless.

Plymouth, Eng., Dec. 8.—The steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm, which arrived here to-day from New York, received a wireless telegram this morning from the Red Star Line steamer Kronland saying that this vessel had broken her shaft at a point to the westward of the Lizard during a heavy gale.

The Kronland, Capt. Dextrid, left Antwerp on December 7th for New York.

WEST ALGOMA NOMINEE.

Sault Ste Marie, Ont., Dec. 8.—Dr. R. J. Gibson, of this city, was nominated for the House of Commons by the West Algoma Liberals.

LAI D AT REST.

Funeral of the Late Mrs. Humber Was Very Largely Attended.

One of the largest funerals in years was that of the late Mrs. Maria Matilda Humber, which took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of her son, Dr. Humber, of Rockland avenue. The services were conducted at the house by Rev. S. J. Thompson, assisted by Rev. G. K. B. Adams, and were very appropriate to the occasion, the rev. gentlemen referring to the number of years the deceased had been engaged in charitable work in the city.

At the grave side the services were also very impressive, and hundreds of the members of the ladies' societies and members of the church of which the deceased was a member were present. Beautiful floral emblems covered the coffin and the hearse, so many that it was almost impossible to take them all. The pallbearers were: Richard Hall, John Taylor, H. Waller, W. W. Northcott, D. Spencer, sr., and Noah Shakespear.

BIG INCREASE IN DOMINION REVENUE

Receipts for Eight Months Ending November Exceed Similar Period Last Year by \$9,148,875

(Special to the Times).

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—The revenue of the Dominion for the eight months to Nov. 30th totalled \$66,662,327, an increase of \$9,148,875 over the same period last year.

The ordinary expenditure for the same period was \$41,544,456, an increase of \$3,457,880, and the capital expenditure was \$16,654,487, an increase of \$8,685,320.

The customs revenue of \$41,173,925 represents an increase of \$2,216,810 for the eight months. The post office receipts show an increase of \$427,310, and the revenue from public works an increase of \$582,047.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES ALARMED.

Consider That in Case of Accident They Should Not be Prosecuted as Ordinary Criminals.

Brandon, Man., Dec. 8.—Western railway employees are becoming alarmed over prosecutions that are taking place against them and for the blame attached for accidents that have taken place during the last few months.

A Sunday union meeting was held at which delegates from five districts on the C. P. R. west of Brandon were present. The following unions took part: Order of Railway Telegraphers, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, Order of Railway Conductors, Order of Railway Engineers and Order of Railway Firemen.

The troubles of the railway men were discussed at the session, when it was decided to petition the Dominion government to amend the Railway Act to such an extent that in the case of an accident those in charge of trains could not be prosecuted the same as ordinary criminals.

CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Subscription to the Shaftesbury Society and Ragged School Union.

The list of subscriptions for the furnishing of a Christmas dinner to the favor of London will be kept open until after next Sunday, when the amount will be caled.

The Y. M. C. A. secretary acknowledges the receipt of the following subscriptions:

Mrs. Tubb, \$1.50; Mrs. F. Colley, \$1; Mrs. Ralph, \$1; Mrs. Crawford, 50c; A. E. Luney, 50c; W. Lawrence, 50c; W. A. Vejar, \$1; Mrs. Andrews, 50c; Cedar Hill School, \$1; A. Friend, \$1; B. F. Sheppard, \$1; Mrs. R. Sellick, \$1; Mrs. Luran, \$1; L. Hobbs, 50c; H. Jeeves, \$1; J. Goldsaw, \$1; D. McKenzie, \$1; W. Stacey, \$1; W. Leaves, \$1; A. de Pratto, \$1; Mr. Jeeves, \$1; Victoria West Methodist Sunday School, \$7.25; James Bay Sunday School, \$3.35; Spring Ridge Methodist Sunday School, \$18.35; St. Columba Sunday School, \$3.05; Emmanuel Baptist Sunday School, \$5; St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday School, \$16; Union Presbyterian Sunday School, \$4; C. W. B., \$1.25; H. M., \$1; Centennial Methodist Sunday School, \$35.20.

—There will be an important meeting of the executive committee of the Kennel Club on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. It will be held in a room placed at the disposal of the club in the Gareche block. All friends of the society, whether on the committee or not, are asked to attend.

ICE TRAGEDY AT INDIAN HEAD

Unavailing Search for Bodies of Two Young Men Who Disappeared.

Indian Head, Sask., Dec. 8.—A search party, to the number of about fifty, spent all Saturday searching for Walter Oment, the young man now given up as drowned in the lake on Thursday. The lake has been dragged in several places, but without success. The marks of skates have been seen near the holes in the ice. A dog that accompanied Oment in the morning returned home through the day, and this is taken as an additional proof that his remains are in the water. It is extremely doubtful that his body will be recovered until the spring.

Geo. Parisien, who was reported as missing, has not turned up. His body must be somewhere near the holes in the lake. When last seen he was driving his cow across the ice.

Young Oment was popular here. He was 27 years old. Parisien was also well known.

MARRIED IN OLD LAND.

Major McMeeking, a Cousin of Local Resident, Was Wedded Recently.

Last week Major McMeeking, D. S. O., the Royal Scots and a Galloway man, and Miss Gertrude de Stacpoole were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the Brompton oratory. Major McMeeking is a retired army officer and proprietor of the estate of Miltonese, in Wiltshire, Scotland. He is a brother-in-law of Capt. Startin, who was commander of H. M. S. Arethusa at Esquimaux in 1900, and a cousin of R. B. McMeeking of this city. The bride, though Irish, is the daughter of one whose title is French and Papal. His grandfather, a Dublin man, was created a count by Louis XVIII, and received a marquessate and a dukedom from successive popes. The family has its home in Galway. The Duc de Stacpoole was the son of Monsignor de Duc, who took orders after the death of his wife.

Neither the Quakers nor the Swiss Protestants use rings at their marriage ceremonies.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT and a lot of work will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 11th, afternoon and evening, in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. In the evening, admission 2c.; children, 1c.

MEN WANTED—In every locality in Canada to advertise our goods, tack up showcards in all conspicuous places and distribute small advertising matter. Commission or salary, \$3 per month and expenses \$4 per day. Steady work the year round; entirely new plan; no experience required. Write for particulars. Wm. R. Warner Med. Co., London, Ont., Canada.

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LOST—English setter pup bitch, one side of face black. Return to H. Murray, 6 Amelia street.

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WANTED—A middle-aged woman to do light house work. Apply 911 Fort street, between 10 and 11 a. m.

WANTED—Salesman, immediately. Apply Capital Furniture Co., corner Fort and Douglas streets.

LOST—Monday forenoon, between Cook and Government streets, a 25-pound hitching weight for horse, with strap attached. Please return to 33 Fort street and receive reward.

LOST—Lady's gold watch, on Government between Johnson and Pandora streets. Return to Times Office.

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TWO LOTS—On Denman street, price \$50 each. Globe Agency Co., Mahon Bldg.

ADVERTISER has 2 valuable water lots. Equinall, for sale, cheap, or exchange for Winnipeg house property. Give full particulars, Box 123, this office.

FOR SALE—Fresh calved cow. Apply \$40 Ethel street.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Committee having in hand the improvement of the old Quadra Street Cemetery are about to remove all dilapidated headstones in the Cemetery to a corner of the same, and any person desiring to take away any railing which may be around the grave of any relative of such person may obtain permission to do so from Alderman Weston, Chairman of the Cemetery Committee.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C. Victoria, B. C., Dec. 8th, 1907.



The date for receiving tenders for Public Building, Lady Smith, B. C., has been extended to Monday, December 23rd, 1907.

Plans and specifications can be seen, and forms of tender obtained at this Department, on application to the Postmaster at Lady Smith, B. C., and to William Henderson, Superintending Architect, Victoria, B. C.

By order, FRED. GELINAS, Secretary.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, November 27th, 1907.

Re Waldo Ellis Knapp DECEASED

Any person having any claim against the deceased will kindly forward the same to the undersigned without delay.

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B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of subscribers to the above named Home will be held in the City Hall, Victoria, on Tuesday next, the 10th inst., at 8 o'clock in the afternoon. WM. SCOWCROFT, Hon. Sec.

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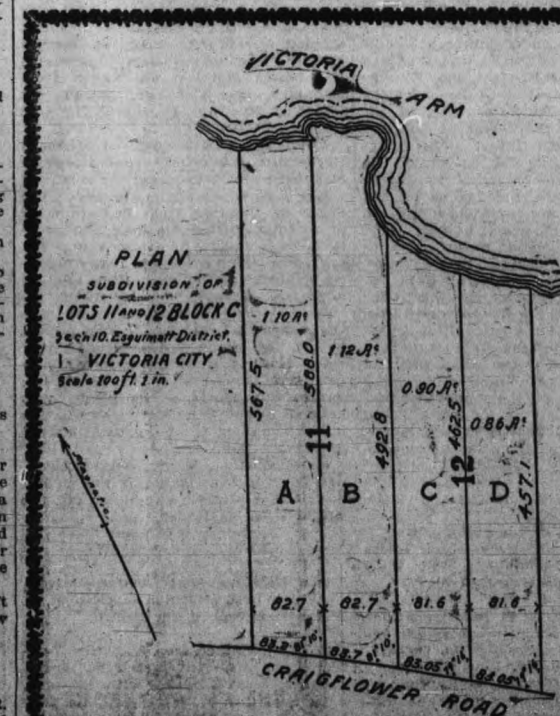
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LABOR UNIONS OBJECT.

Kingston, Dec. 7.—The labor unions are to appeal to the provincial attorney-general against the fines of \$100 imposed on two striking tailors last week for intimidation.

All the unions in Ontario are to pass resolutions condemning the judgment.

TWENTY FOUR KNOT VESSELS

FOR ATLANTIC SECTION
OF ALL RED ROUTE

Hon. Clifford Sifton Speaks in London on Imperial Value of Trade Girdle.

London, Dec. 7.—Hon. Clifford Sifton addressed the Liberal Colonial Club at the Prince's restaurant, on the "All-Red Route." He said the scheme justified itself on commercial and high political grounds. He pointed out that 24-knot steamers were quite feasible for the Atlantic section, and showed that there was considerable less for Japan on the New York route.

Ice was not dangerous and navigation of the St. Lawrence was not difficult, and was constantly being improved. He dwelt upon the imperial value of the route as a strategic girdle for the Empire, and an easily protected foot route. He declared it would undoubtedly prove a considerable success from the trade point of view. All governments were committed to the principle and he anticipated an early and favorable reply respecting the feasibility of the scheme from the home government. Even if the scheme did not materialize now it would in the near future.

Hon. William Pember Reeves committed New Zealand to the proposal; it was also favored by Lord Brasse, H. J. Tennant, M. P., R. C. Munroe, Mr. Ferguson, M. P., and R. W. Perks, M. P.

CARMEN OF AMERICA.

Grand Chief of Body Gives Evidence Before Conciliation Board in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Frank L. Ronemus, grand chief of the Carmen of America, gave evidence all yesterday afternoon and this morning before the conciliation committee. He presented in full the situation and the standpoint of the carmen, bringing up a great many technical points in regard to the organization. He also told of the principles and the objects which govern the work of the association.

The general principle was laid down that the carmen on each side of the line work together and hold together on general principles, though subject to the laws of the land. The schedules may be different but on the great issues they are as one. However, the whole tendency of the evidence given by Mr. Ronemus tended toward conciliation rather than toward a separation of the interests of the men and the company.

Mr. Ronemus left to-night for Crookston, Minn. The board has adjourned to meet again on Monday morning.

KILLED WOLF HUNTING.

Gun With Which He Was Clubbing Beast Gave Off Charge Entered German's Body.

Sheho, Sask., Dec. 7.—Details have been received of a distressing fatality in the neighborhood of Ebenexer, about thirty miles southeast of here.

A German, name unknown, had come to the district for the purpose of hunting, and went out on horseback accompanied by his hounds. Having run down a wolf he alighted and struck it on the head with the barrels of his gun. This broke the barrels, and again he struck the wolf with the stock of the gun; but somehow or other the gun exploded and the ball charge entered the man's body in the neighborhood of the heart, killing him instantly.

An inquest was considered unnecessary.

PRISONER ESCAPES AT REGINA.

Believed to Have Had Connivance of Policemen, Three of Whom Are Arrested.

Regina, Dec. 7.—A prisoner named W. Irwin alias Redding, who was sent to Regina from Estevan, escaped from the guard room at the barracks yesterday morning and is still at large. Keys were left lying about; it is alleged, and the man unlocked the door and escaped without difficulty. It is suspected that a policeman assisted in his escape, and three members of the force are now under arrest.

FOUND DEAD.

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Wm. C. Adams, a young Scotchman about 22 years of age, was found dead in his room at his boarding house at 2740 Garry street this morning. The coroner was summoned and after making an examination of the body, he found that the deceased had died from natural causes. Young Adams was formerly employed as a salesman in Eaton's, and was a trusted employee. A few weeks ago he became ill, and up to a short time ago was confined to St. Boniface hospital. He was unmarried, and had been in Canada since last June.

BODE'S GUM

CURES

CONSTIPATION.

MOROCCO SITUATION.

French Flying Column Routed Tribesmen—Fighting Lasted All Day.

Paris, Dec. 7.—A report has been received here from Gen. Lyoutey, commander of the French flying column in Algeria, saying that the first move of the French forces to punish the Denia Nasser tribesmen was made yesterday, when a force of Arabs was routed. Only two Frenchmen were wounded. The fighting lasted practically all day.

'FRISCO BANK WAS WILD CAT SCHEME

COMPANY INDULGED IN
RECKLESS FINANCING

California Safe Deposit and Trust Company Found to be Totally Insolvent.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Recommendation was made to-day by the bank commissioners to Attorney-General Webb to take legal action relative to appointing a receiver for the California State Deposit and Trust Company of San Francisco, which suspended business several weeks ago.

It was found by the commissioners that instead of the legal reserve of \$4,000,000, they had not \$400,000. The difference of \$3,600,000, in the opinion of the bank commissioners, could not be raised by the stockholders of the bank. The legal reserve was in the bank on December 4th, a year ago, when it was examined by the commissioners. The bank commissioners to-day said that the bank had indulged in reckless financing. The bank had made too many investments in Californian enterprises in such a manner that it was unable to raise now. It is said that out of \$900,000 assets the bank would be able to realize only \$200,000 with which to pay its liabilities.

Totally Insolvent.

Sacramento, Dec. 7.—Governor Gillette to-day made the following statement: "At a meeting yesterday of the depositors of the California Safe Deposit and Trust Company, I found the bank totally insolvent. Orders have been given to the Attorney-General to place it in the hands of a receiver."

The depositors found that \$3,263,449 had been loaned to directors on their personal notes, without security, and to companies with which the directors were connected. A clerk named Bamford was loaned \$484,410 on his personal note, without security. "The committee of depositors worked all day and found that out of \$9,000,000 assets, only \$2,000,000 could be realized. They discovered that on the day the bank closed, instead of the twenty per cent. of the deposits, which the law requires, they had only four per cent. The Building Trades is the heaviest loser, as this organization had \$100,000 on deposit."

BABEL OF FAITHS.

Religious Census Taken in Winnipeg Shows Interesting Figures.

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—The religious census which was commenced on November 29th is complete, and the following is the result: Church of England, 22,812; Presbyterian, 21,827; Methodist, 16,320; Roman Catholic, 13,838; Baptist, 4,724; Congregational, 3,776; Evangelical Lutheran, 3,624; Hebrew, 2,340; Salvation Army, 836; various other denominations, 4,632; no preference, 240; refused information, 1,054; not at home or no information available, 512. Total, 104,472.

There are also Zoroastrians, Agnostics, Materialists, plain infidels, Mohammedans, Free thinkers, Mormons, Swedenborgians, Menonites, Christadelphians, those who call their particular belief "The Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of Man," others who claim to be of the "Church established by Christ white on earth," Ethical Spiritualists and Shakers.

Children under four years were not counted.

ORE SHIPMENTS.

Returns For Last Week in Southeastern Districts of B. C.

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 7.—The following are the shipments and ore receipts from the southeastern districts of British Columbia for the past week and year to date: Shipments—Rossland, week, 7,090; year, 268,470. East of Columbia river, 2,453; 163,872. Boundary, none; 1,141,000. Total, 10,543; 1,568,342. Receipts—Trail, week, 5,407; year, 248,029. Marysville, 600; 29,400; Northport, 2,620; 94,060. Others, none; 1,110,679. Total, 8,627; 1,481,568.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

Czar's Finance Minister Inquiring Into Trade Conditions With View to Fostering Relations.

Tokio, Dec. 7.—M. Shipoff, the former Russian minister of finance, has extended the time of his visit conferring daily with and receiving the opinions of politicians, bankers and merchants, with the view of improving Russia's trade relations with Japan.

TO VISIT VANCOUVER.

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., and Lady Tupper, will leave for a visit to Vancouver on Sunday evening.

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All \$6.25, at each, sale price.....	\$4.75	All \$10.50 and \$11.50, at each.....	\$8.75
All \$6.75, at each, sale price.....	\$5.00	All \$12.75, at each.....	\$9.75
All \$7.50, at each, sale price.....	\$5.75	All \$13.50 and \$15.00, at each.....	\$10.75
All \$8.50, at each, sale price.....	\$6.75	All \$18.00 to \$20.00, at each.....	\$12.75
All \$9.75, at each, sale price.....	\$7.50		

IN ADDITION to the above we recently received one set of samples, about twenty-five very handsome ENGLISH SILK SKIRTS, which have been slightly damaged in transit. The exporters have instructed us to cut the price away down below cost and clear them out. The damage is almost imperceptible. The reductions in prices are:

All \$5.75 \$6.75 and \$7.50 values; reduced to sale price, each.....	\$2.75
All \$8.25 and \$9.75 values; reduced to sale price, each.....	\$4.75
All \$11.00 and \$12.75 values; reduced to sale price, each.....	\$7.50
All \$15.00 and \$15.75 values; reduced to sale price, each.....	\$9.00

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LUDICROUS SCENE IN KANSAS CITY

Painted Actors and Actresses Appear
in Court to Answer Violation
of Sunday Law.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 7.—Drastic measures were taken here to-day to enforce the Sunday closing law. The grand jury indicted 228 travelling actors and actresses and employees of local theatres charged with violating the Missouri law forbidding labor on Sunday. Of this number 141 were arrested and gave their bond for \$200 each while the others evaded the officers and left the city without being apprehended.

The court room presented an unusual and almost ludicrous appearance when the persons arrested were lined up before Judge Wallace to give bonds. Many of the performers went directly from the matinees to the court house, and had not an opportunity to remove the paint from their faces. About one-third of them were women, many of them chorus girls.

The announcement had been made that the arrests would come at the conclusion of the matinee performances. When the deputy sheriffs learned that the actors and actresses at some of the houses were preparing to leave town, they concentrated their force at the Century, a vaudeville burlesque house. When the performers made a rush together to leave the theatre the officers detained all they could, but many escaped.

A fight for Sunday closing has been waged by Judge Wallace for several weeks. He recently ordered theatrical managers to close on Sunday. They refused to do so, and secured a temporary injunction preventing his interference with their performances. The federal court dissolved this injunction, and Judge Wallace sought the indictment to force compliance. It is his intention to have the managers and players indicted each week and to arrest them and place them under individual bonds.

TWENTY-ONE MUST DIE.

Sailors Implicated in Vladivostok Mutiny to Pay Penalties.

Vladivostok, Dec. 7.—Another batch of sailors implicated in the recent mutinies here were to-day found guilty and sentenced by court martial.

Twenty-one of the men were sentenced to death, while twenty-four were given varying terms of penal servitude.

MONEY DEBACLE IN CHILI.

Santiago, Chili, Dec. 7.—The Banco Moller, an important bank, suspended payment to-day, and the Bank of Chili took charge of the institution. Liquidation is still general, and the financial crisis continues to be very acute.

MANY MORE GAMES LICENSES.

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Up to date 3,119 games licenses have been issued by the Department of Agriculture for the province of Manitoba. They are still coming in at the rate of twenty-five per day. In all probability the number will be 2,200, as compared with 2,500 last year.

Xmas Tree Decorations

Are made a specialty of here. This season we have surpassed ourselves in a truly grand display:

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BANKRUPT INSURANCE CO.

New York, Dec. 7.—The Excelsior Fire Insurance Company, for which Attorney-General Jackson sought a receiver on Tuesday, applied to the Supreme Court to-day for voluntary bankruptcy.

The application was made through T. B. Armstrong, John Jenkins and other directors of the corporation. Justice Truax appointed J. Campbell as referee to investigate its merits. Among the assets claimed by the insurance company is a deposit of

\$13,000 in the Borough Bank of Brooklyn, which the directors of the bank repudiated as "Bettlhou" on October 28th, the day the bank closed. The incorporators of the insurance company included Wm. Gow and Howard Maxwell, who were indicted in connection with the suspensions of several of the Brooklyn banks.

"Life is a burden since you have ceased to love me. By bedtime you have got this I shall have gone for ever" was the tragic message found in a bottle floating in the Shropshire canal at Chirk, Shropshire.

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OSCAR II. IS DEAD.

Oscar II, King of Sweden, and formerly King of Norway, has been gathered to his fathers. Called to the throne in 1872, the reign of King Oscar was not distinguished by any events of a particularly startling character, although if his Majesty had inherited the martial instincts of one of his great paternal ancestors he might have had occasion more than once to create a stir in northern Europe. But he was essentially a peaceful man, devoting such talents as he possessed to the benign pursuits of literature and to effecting essential internal reforms in his kingdom. If Oscar II. had been a strenuous prince, more anxious to magnify his own house and name than to promote the welfare of his people, he would probably have determined to maintain the connection between Sweden and Norway by force of arms. However, seeing that in view of the feeling of the Norwegians, it were better that separation should take place, he bowed his head to the inevitable, and the disruption took the form of a peaceful parting of friendly nations. Probably if the blood of the Bernadottes had coursed more strongly in the veins of the departed monarch than the thinner commercial stream with which it formed an alliance a few generations back there might have been an armed conflict between the two branches of the great warlike Scandinavian family. But the good king chose the better part. He permitted events to take their natural course, thereby averting not only a fratricidal war but possible political and military complications which might have extended far beyond the boundaries of Norway and Sweden. His career has come to an end and he will be laid in the tomb of his ancestors full of years and honors.

THE C. P. R. AND THE ALL-RED ROUTE.

It has been apparent from the time the idea of an all-red route connecting Great Britain, Canada, Asia and Australia was first mentioned that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company was disposed to regard with suspicion any such scheme. Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, the executive head of that powerful corporation, has set at rest any doubts there may have been upon the subject by publicly and practically announcing that the C. P. R. will exert its potent influence against the consummation of the enterprise. Sir Thomas is quite frank in his statement. He is influenced in his attitude by purely selfish reasons. The C. P. R. is itself in the transportation business upon the two great oceans. It receives subsidies from the Imperial and the Dominion governments. If another company were to enter the business under the aegis of the governments in question, it would undoubtedly prove a powerful competitor for the C. P. R. Therefore, having a large amount of capital invested in steamships operating in the carrying trade both on the Atlantic and the Pacific, it is not at all surprising to learn of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy's sentiments.

The concern the head man of the great railway company evinces in the interests of capitalists who might be influenced by purely sentimental considerations to investing their money in a fast Canadian service is also quite touching. He cites the cases of the German and British companies which have built extraordinarily fast steamships in proof of his position that an all-red route must prove a losing proposition. He points out that the tendency is all in the direction of the commissioning of vessels of large size but moderate speed. And there is undoubtedly a good deal in what Sir Thomas says. At the same time we do not think ships of the Mauretania class are contemplated by Lord Strathcona, Mr. Sifton, and other promoters of the so-called all-red line. The C. P. R. has demonstrated at an opportune time—opportune from the point of view of the people of Canada as well as from the standpoint of the owning company—of what can be accomplished on the Canadian route by steamers of moderate speed. One of the Empress liners has made the trip from port to port—which is, after all, the essential and practical test in transportation—in less time than the fastest of the Cunard greyhounds has accomplished a like passage. That feat in itself seems to us to constitute an effective argument in favor of the all-red route. It answers all the objections raised by Sir Thomas. It seems to us it would be a fine advertisement for Canada and for the C. P. R. If the fact could be finally and definitely established that at least one day could be saved in crossing the ocean by a Canadian route. Once the advantages of the route are established, there will be plenty of business for the boats of the C. P. R. and for other competing companies which will assuredly enter the field. Doubtless Sir Thomas has considered what that

would mean for the land end of his great transportation system. Doubtless, also, he will say he speaks with authority when he mentions the difficulties in the way of the success of the all-red line and thinks his is the last word on the subject.

"DOING WITHOUT THINGS."

A wise teacher has crossed the ocean for the purpose of instructing the majority of Americans who are not of the millionaire class in the useful art of attaining the priceless possessions of happiness. The secret lies in cultivating the habit of "doing without things." Andrew Carnegie is so happy that he prays for an indefinite prolongation of his natural life. It is easy for Andrew to be happy, because he has a castle in Scotland and can disport himself on the links there or elsewhere whenever the spirit of sport moves him. If he had to do without the castle and the links and instead were compelled to play the part of a "puddle" in one of the superheated rolling mills of Pittsburgh in order to obtain the necessities of life, possibly he might be praying to-day for the dissolution of soul and body, finding as many are finding, life an intolerable burden. It is an easy thing for millionaire philosophers who lack not any good thing, or anything which to the inexperienced appears to be good, to preach the virtues of self-abnegation. Still there is no doubt that there is a good deal in what this sage, who is not a millionaire, although she has not to labor with her hands for the wherewithal to keep body and soul together, says. And this is a very opportune time in the history of the United States for a wise person to set her foot upon its free shore and preach to the people the virtue of "doing without things." There are many who for the next year or so will be compelled, willy-nilly, to actively cultivate the art of denying themselves. From all we can learn, the optimism of Henry Clews notwithstanding, the people of the United States are in for a period of dull times. Confidence has not been completely restored. Thousands of men who have had an abundance of work for their hands to do for a considerable number of years have been thrown out of employment, and they are going to remain idle for some time. That is the worst feature of life in the strenuous republic. Industry does things in spasms, instead of plodding along in the direction of greater things, as it does in Great Britain and in Canada. That is the reason we do not feel depressions to so great an extent as they do. And but for the fact that the idle men gravitate to this side of the line, to the extent of their competition making us fellow-sufferers with themselves, the dullness of the times over there would possess but an academic interest for us.

The people of British Columbia are not accustomed to doing without things, but they might profitably cultivate the habit, say to a limited extent.

Mr. C. A. Gregg, of the Colonist editorial staff, on Sunday contributed a striking article to his paper on the subject of the resources and possibilities of Vancouver Island. Mr. Gregg has evidently studied the subject very carefully, and his conclusions are deeply interesting to all who pin their faith to this island as the theatre of important transportation developments in the not remote future.

The climate of England has done the Kaiser a world of good. We are all delighted to hear of the restoration of His Majesty's health, and proud to think the physicians of his royal uncle's household may have had something to do with it.

Even the banks of San Francisco have become involved in the infancy of that delectable city. Over four millions of dollars lent to shareholders and officials, practically without security, seems a somewhat loose way of doing business even for San Francisco.

ST. LAWRENCE STILL OPEN.

Father Point, Que., Dec. 9.—The steamer Dunelm, from Middlesboro for Hamilton, Ont., passed here yesterday in charge of pilots. This is the latest date known for the vessel to be piloted through the St. Lawrence. The steamer is for the upper lakes service.

POSSE SHOTS TWO MEN.

Winlock, Marsh. Badly Wounded While Chasing Would-Be Robbers.

Winlock, Wn., Dec. 9.—A Winlock posse killed two yegmen this morning. Following attempted robberies of the postoffice and Winlock bank, Marshal Castor and Constable McFadden stopped two men on the railroad track. They ran, shooting Marshal Castor twice in the chest. He, too, may die.

MAINTENANCE OF INDIANS.

Ottawa to Pay Dominion \$300,000 and Assume Certain Liabilities.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—A suit as to the maintenance of Indians on disputed territory between Manitoba and Ontario has been settled in the Exchequer court. The result is that on account of the territory given by bond being awarded, Ontario will have to pay the Dominion over \$300,000 and assume certain liabilities in perpetuity for the future.

A stone weighing a ton and a half was split open by blasting at Blackburn, Scotland, and a living worm was found embedded in it, being located eleven inches from the outside of the nearest point.

BILL TO AMEND RAILWAY ACT

Royal City M. P. Wants Companies Made Liable for All Fires Caused by Locomotive Sparks.

(Special to the Times).

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—J. B. Kennedy, New Westminster, introduced a bill to-day to amend the railway act so as to hold a company responsible for all fires caused by sparks from locomotives. Meantime the statute limits damages to crop, fences, plantations and buildings. The bill was read for the first time.

Hon. Frank Oliver stated in the House to-day that W. T. G. Preston is now in Yokohama studying trade conditions with the view of extending the trade between Canada and Japan. J. E. Armstrong, Lambton, East Riding in the House to-day on the debate on the address, will move amendment in favor of rural mail delivery.

Sir W. Laurier in answer to Hon. Geo. Foster, said that nothing had yet been done regarding the All Red Route. No official action was taken.

TOWN WAS SPORT OF EARTHQUAKE

Karatagh Lifted High in Air—Falling Rocks Hailed—Houses Sank Into Fissures.

London, Nov. 30.—Now that the first full account, coming from Tashkend, via St. Petersburg, has arrived, there can be no doubt that the Karatagh earthquake was one of the most appalling natural catastrophes on record. "It is difficult," writes the reporter, "to describe the scenes which met the eye at Karatagh to-day. What was a short while ago a flourishing township is now the grave of 4,000 dead. But the scenes which accompanied the catastrophe are even more difficult of adequate description. A group of survivors, still shaken by their experiences, related a terrible story, to which no written narrative can do justice.

On the eve of the disaster, October 20th, a terrific storm burst over Karatagh and its environs, striking a deadly fear into the hearts of the inhabitants. The animal world seemed to have an uncanny foreknowledge. Dogs howled, horses stamped, cattle leaped with fright. Early in the morning the whole town seemed to shudder. The earth tremors were frequent, but few of the townspeople were sufficiently disturbed by them to leave their houses.

Fifteen minutes later a terrific shock set the entire place swaying, the air resounding with weird noises, then the town seemed to be repeatedly lifted high in the air and set down heavily by a mighty hand. Buildings were crumbling and crashing to ruins every moment or two. In scores of places the ground burst open and boiling water spouted upward.

Huge fragments of rock became dislodged from the surrounding mountains, and added the thunder of their fall to the subterranean rumblings and roarings, which continued all the time. Numerous houses were battered down by the falling rocks. Others, with their occupants, sank bodily into great fissures in the earth.

The populace, or such of them as had escaped instant death, appeared to be mad with terror. From every side arose a wild shriek. Those who fled for safety had to blind their eyes to many sad sights. The storm had come on again with renewed force and activity. Pandemonium reigned. Maddened animals tore aimlessly hither and thither, continuous peals of thunder and flashes of blinding lightning added to the frenzy. Many fugitives perished under the hoofs of the animals.

In the meantime similar scenes were being enacted in the surrounding country, twelve large villages being destroyed on this same terrible morning. In Karatagh alone 2,000 bodies were recovered. As many more still remain in the ruins of 1,200 houses, while 25,000 animals, on a rough estimate, were destroyed.

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Andrew's Society will be held in the Sir William Wallace hall at 8 o'clock to-night.

Two Hindus who were booked to Victoria and arrived on R. M. S. Empress of Japan this morning, were turned back by Dr. G. L. Milne, Dominion medical inspector and immigration agent, as they were not supplied with funds. They will be deported.

Further protests against the dumping of city garbage on Dallas road continue to offend the aldermanic ear. At to-night's meeting of the city council a letter will be read from Dr. G. L. Milne complaining against this practice. Dr. Milne states that a heap of rubbish has been dumped right in front of his residence.



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Extra Special in the China Department at 7.30 Sharp, This Evening

TO-NIGHT offers Rare opportunities to purchase some HANDSOME PRESENTS at Specially Reduced Prices. Some of these values run as high as \$20.00 and are being sold at 7.30 sharp at \$2.50. Read down the list carefully, then act promptly.

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FANCY METAL GONG, with oak base, decorated figure. Regular \$6.50. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$2.50	CRUMB TRAY AND BRUSH, made of oak, metal handle. Regular \$1.50. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$1.00
FANCY METAL GONG, on Brass feet. Regular value \$4.50. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$2.50	INK WELL, square cut glass. Regular \$2.50. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$1.00
FANCY METAL GONG, bell-shaped, with oak base. Regular \$7.50. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$2.50	METAL PICTURE FRAME, fancy trimmings. Regular \$3.50. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$1.00
FANCY METAL FLOWER POT HOLDER, with metal base lining. Owl decoration. Regular \$7.50. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$2.50	BRASS CRUMB SCRAPPERS. Regular \$2. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$1.00
HEAVY BRASS VASES. Regular \$8.50. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$2.50	OAK LETTER BOX. Regular \$2. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$1.00
	FANCY WORK BOX. Regular \$3. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$1.00
	BRASS INK STAND, two wells. Regular \$2.50. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30..... \$1.00

Extra Special at 7.30 This Evening

MEN'S FOOTWEAR
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THIS EVENING we are putting on sale a number of broken lines of MEN'S BOOTS. This lot includes Men's Patent Leather Box Calf and Cordovan Lace Boots, Men's Patent Calf, Blucher Lace Boots, with Matt Kid Top, Men's Box Calf Lace Boots, and Men's English Cordovan Lace Boots, and Men's English Satin Calf Lace Boots. Regular price \$3.75, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.50, at 7.30 THIS EVENING, per pair.....**\$2.50**

Special Bargains Await Early Shoppers in Men's Dept.--7.30 To-night

LEATHER SUIT CASES, light and dark tan, with and without straps, sizes 22, 24 and 26. Regular values \$7 to \$8.50. THIS EVENING 7.30.....**\$4.75**

MEN'S HEAVY RIBBED COTTON UNDERWEAR, all sizes. Special THIS EVENING 7.30.....**75c**

MEN'S HATS, in soft fedoras, crush, flat top and stiff, all the latest styles. Regular prices \$2.50 to \$3. THIS EVENING 7.30.....**\$1.50**

MEN'S HEAVY BLACK WOOL HOSE, sizes 10 1/2 only. Regular value 20c. THIS EVENING 7.30, 2 pairs for.....**25c**

Extra Special at 7.30 This Evening

Something For The Little Ones

In this great event we have not forgotten the little ones, and the specials from the TOY DEPARTMENT are just the things to please. Bring the little ones with you and let them see the wonders of Toyland.

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	KID BODY DOLLS. Regular 50c. For..... 25c

Extra Special From the Book Department at 7.30 To-night

A very large assortment of the Padded Poets, which includes the works of every poet of note, such as Tennyson, Longfellow, Goethe, Byron, Holmes, Meredith, Lowell, Browning, Milton and a number of others, all nicely bound in leather, gilt edges, and very nicely printed. Regular \$1.25. TO-NIGHT AT 7.30.....**50c**

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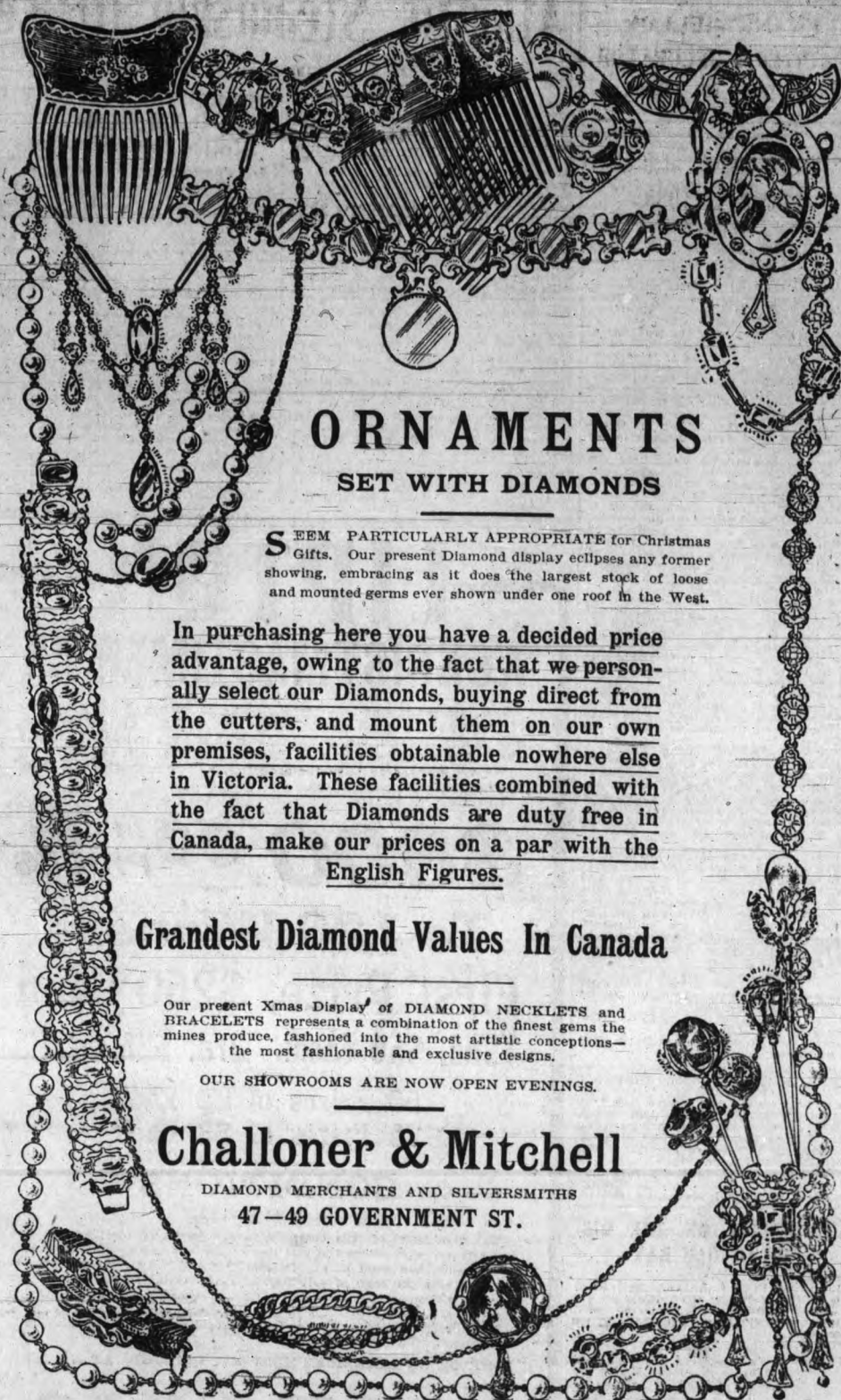
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In Comedy The Man on the Box—
The Rollicking Girl on
Wednesday.

A joyful surprise is in store for the patrons of the Victoria theatre to-night when Max Figman presents the irresistible New York comedy success, "The Man on the Box."

He is one of the foremost, if not the foremost comedian on the American stage, and he is growing more popular every day. There is something about his acting that is very fascinating. He is very earnest, but seems to get all his laughter without a strain. He is just naturally funny. He is versatile, too. Comedy is his forte, but notwithstanding that, there are few actors living who can equal him in character portrayal. The secret of it all is, he is a student. He takes life and his profession seriously, and is constantly trying to improve himself and his art. His success this season has been amazing. He holds the record for business in a hall; a dozen theatres for the season.

"The Man on the Box" was a jolly good book, and the critics claim it has made a fine play. The whole story is there, with its little romantic touch, and the laughter never ceases from the first rise of the curtain to its fall on the finale.

Manager John Cort, who is exploiting Mr. Figman, has surrounded him with a fine company and given a splendid scenic production. Max Figman ought to pack the theatre for his engagement.

"The Rollicking Girl," the merry musical comedy which enjoyed such an extraordinary run of two hundred and fifty nights at the Herald Square theatre, New York city, is to be the attraction at the Victoria theatre Wednesday night. In securing this attraction from Charles Frohman, its original exploiter, for a road tour, the management has succeeded in retaining much of the original material which went to make up its success in the city. The principal comedy role, that of the funny wigmaker, Schmaltz, has been entrusted to Snitz Edwards, the well-known German comedian who is a favorite on both sides of the Atlantic. Much stress is laid upon the beauty of the chorus, which has made the attraction one of the most talked of en tour this season.

The New Grand.
Opening the week at the New Grand to-day will be seen Harry Grandall and Company of six people in "Fun in a Grocery." The great protean artist Preston Kendall, in a little war drama in which he takes all of the seven characters himself, necessitating no less than eleven complete changes of costume, which are made in from two to seven seconds each. Madge MacLard, monologist and musical comedian; the Great Pascatel, novelty artist; Jack and Bertha Rich, singers and dancers; Thos. J. Price in illustrated song; good moving pictures, and "The Pirates of Penzance" as an overture by the orchestra, under the leadership of Prof. Nagel.

CAUSE OF TREMBLORS.

Philosopher Tells of Great Weight of Buildings on Earth's Crust.

"I have always had more than half a notion," said the Bashful Man, "that cities are the cause of the modern earthquake, and, that as the world becomes more and more solid the increase in the size of cities will some day bring an end to this world of ours, not because of their wickedness or anything of that sort, but simply because they will be no way for this terrestrial sphere to adjust itself to the uneven distribution of their weight."

The Bashful Man looked around in a sheepish sort of way, but when he saw that no one was pointing the finger of derision at him he took heart of grace and continued:

"As I understand it, the world was at one time a molten mass and could, of course, easily adjust itself to whatever shape the motion of the mass might tend to give it. Swinging around in space, it assumed a spherical shape and as the crust cooled it naturally cooled in a state of equilibrium. In other words, if at this time some one had sliced the world through on its axis, each half would have weighed the same."

"Now, what is equilibrium? It is a point. As our esteemed president might say, a thing is either equilibrium or it is not. Just as soon as you begin to add or subtract weight at either side of the point of equilibrium the balance is disturbed. I suppose that in a large body you can monkey without having it teeter over, but it would not be reasonable to say that such monkeying would have no effect at all. Let me illustrate:

"Take an ordinary pair of grocer's scales when they are in balance and drop a pin on one side. The scales still seem to be in balance. All right; drop another pin in and then two more. Perhaps the scales still keep even. Drop more pins in doubling the number each time, and pretty soon that scoop which has the pins in it is going to fall. Now, to my mind, and for my argument, the falling of that scoop means nothing but this: The first pin made a difference in the balance—it had an effect."

"And here you have this earth of ours, resting on no foundation, but balanced on nothing at all at what must essentially be a most delicate point of mathematical nicety."

"Then along comes man, and he begins building cities, taking hundreds of millions of tons out of various parts of the world and piling all this tremendous weight in one spot. I do not see how this can have any other effect than to make a difference in the equilibrium. It is the same thing as the pins in the grocer's scoop."

"What happens? The earth tries hard to get back into its precise balance. Swinging around on its axis, the centre of those contending forces which had originally decreed its form and station, it still works to preserve that form and station; and somewhere or other the crust breaks, or rises, or falls away, perhaps there is a volcano with its millions of tons of escaping

lava—but anyhow, the world is back in equilibrium again, or has at least fallen away a bit from the danger line."

"But a volcano is a hard thing to manage; it can't even manage itself. It is likely a safety valve on a boiler set for 100 pounds pressure. Exceed that pressure and the valve blows off, but it will seldom close as soon as the pressure gets down to 90 pounds. The steam has got a start; it has found an outlet; and the pressure may go down to 50 or 25 pounds, or to nothing at all, before the valve closes on its seat."

"I think it is for this same reason, and quite in line with my ideas on the balance question, that when there is one volcanic disturbance there is going to be another, less violent, probably, somewhere else, and then there are going to be other disturbances gradually lessening in violence until they have either died away or another series has started somewhere else."

"The way I figure it is this: The first big eruption blows out too much lava and there has got to be another adjustment before the balance is restored. All right; then we have another disturbance somewhere on the other side of the globe, and so on, backward and forward. Take Vesuvius—right on the other side of the world you have Hawaii. Take Japan, notorious for its volcanic troubles—right on the other side of the globe you have Pelee."

"And all the time the earth's crust is getting thicker and thicker, until at last it will no longer be able to act as a safety valve, and simultaneously the piling up of these millions and millions of tons is going on in the cities, making the relief of a safety valve more and more imperative. And I sometimes stop to wonder whether, when a certain point is reached and passed, there will be one grand explosion of the boiler that will turn this good old world of ours into a comet or a shooting star."—New York Sun.

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Wednesday Dec. 11th.
THE NATURAL FUNMAKER,
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IN THE BIG MUSICAL COMEDY,
THE ROLICKING GIRL.
Big cast, including DASHING LILA BLOW, and the English comedian, PAUL DECKER, with the chorus famed for its pretty girls.
Prices, 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.50. Box office opens 10 a. m. Monday, Dec. 9th. Mail orders, accompanied by cheque, will receive their usual attention.

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Monday December 9th.
Max Figman
AMERICA'S FOREMOST COMEDIAN.
In Harold McGrath's Story,
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Dramatized by Grace Livingston Furniss.
Prices, 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.50. Box office opens 10 a. m. Friday, Dec. 6th. Mail orders, accompanied by cheque, will receive their usual attention.

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WEEK DECEMBER 9th.
Harry Grandall and Co.
Late of Joe Weber's All Star Company,
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America's Foremost Keadan Artist,
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In a One-Act Play, Entitled "ACROSS THE LINES."

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AT 8 P.M.

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Johnson St., High Class Vaudeville.
Week Commencing Monday, Dec. 9th.
RUSTICANO TRIO—Italian Street Singers and Instrumentalists.
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MR. AND MRS. GUY BARTLETT—Late of De Wolf Hopper Co., in the Rural Sketch "Willie."
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PANTAGESCOPE—Showing the latest moving pictures.
Two performances nightly, 8 and 9:15 p. m. Matinee, 3 p. m.

A CONCERT WILL BE GIVEN AT SEMPEL'S HALL, VICTORIA WEST.

Thursday, December 12th, 1907

AT 8 P. M.
In aid of the funds of ST. SAUVAGEUR'S CHURCH. C. H. LUGRIN, Esq., has kindly consented to take the chair, and the singers will include members of the VICTORIA MUSICAL SOCIETY and ARION CLUB.
SEATS, 50c and 25c. Particulars later. Tickets for sale at Hibben's, Fletcher's, Redding's and Robertson's Drug Store, Victoria West.

CURE FOR NEURALGIA.

Doctor Schlosser, of Munich, stated at the meeting of the Congress of Physicians in Berlin, recently, that, after five years of experimenting, he had found the best cure for neuralgia was injection of alcohol. This had succeeded in 202 cases when all other remedies had failed.

Indigestion Ruins Complexion

THE SALLOW, PALE, TIRED WOMAN USUALLY HAS STOMACH TROUBLE.

The good looks of every woman depend largely upon the proper working of her stomach and other internal organs. If your stomach is strong and digestion is good, the cheeks blush, with color, eyes dance and sparkle, breath will be pure and your hair smooth and glossy.

Let indigestion creep in, and the skin becomes sallow and rough, pimples break out, eyes get dark-circled, ill breath is all too apparent. Get the stomach toned up with Dr. Hamilton's Pills—they increase the secretion of the gastric juices, promote vigorous digestion, increase the supply of blood and thereby invigorate the entire system.

The system is quickly won back to a normal healthy condition by Dr. Hamilton's Pills, and every girl or woman who uses this remedy will show it in a clear, wholesome complexion, and a sound healthy body. Sold in 25c. boxes by all dealers.

AMERICAN ENTERPRISE.

From Winnipeg it is learned that three large western corporations have recently been sold to American interests. They are the Fairchild company, wholesale implement makers, the Winnipeg Elevator company, and the Dominion Produce company. English investors do not seem to realize the possibilities of western development as Americans do.

The paper money afloat in Great Britain is a little over a pound apiece for every inhabitant. In Portugal it is three pounds a head, and in France four.

Admission, 25c. Skates, 50c.

GRAND MOONLIGHT

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Thursday Evening Dec. 5th

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANN ELIZA LESTER, LATE OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, DECEASED.

All persons having claims against the estate of Ann Eliza Lester, who died on the 17th November, 1907, are hereby required to send the same duly verified to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of January, 1908, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay their indebtedness forthwith.

Dated December 4th, 1907.

ARTHUR LEE,
Executor, 11 Trowace Ave, Victoria, B.C.

NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to replace the wooden block paving on Government street, between Courtney street and Johnson street, with wooden blocks, treated with creosote, and that the said work shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement General By-Law" and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said By-law, upon the said work of local improvement, giving statement showing the amount chargeable, in each case, against the various portions of real property to be benefited thereby, and their report having been adopted by the Council.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the report herein referred to is open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, B. C., Nov. 29th, 1907.

NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to construct and lay permanent sidewalks of concrete, with stone or iron curb, on the following streets, namely:

1. Douglas street, west side, between View street and Humboldt street;
2. Langley street, east side, from Bastion street to Courtney street;
3. Broughton street, north side, from Government street to Wharf street;
4. Gordon street, both sides, from Humboldt street to Broughton street; Courtney street, south side, from the Metropolitan building to Douglas street;
5. Courtney street, north side, from Wharf street to Douglas street;
6. Humboldt street, both sides, from Government street to Douglas street;

And that each and every of said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement General By-Law" and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said By-law, upon the said works of local improvement, giving statement showing the amount chargeable, in each case, against the various portions of real property to be benefited thereby, and their report having been adopted by the Council: **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the reports herein referred to are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, B. C., 22nd Nov., 1907.

THE WORK OF HOME NURSING SOCIETY

Officers for Year—Acknowledgement Made of Donations by Citizens and Others.

At the annual meeting of the Home Nursing Society, the following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. G. H. Barnard; first vice-president, Mrs. Tolier; second vice-president, Mrs. Perrin; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Harold Robertson; honorary committee, Mrs. Perrin, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Goepel, Mrs. McQuade, and Miss Carr; working committee, Mrs. Brook, Mrs. Berkeley, Mrs. Beaven, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Nicholles, Mrs. Pemberton, Mrs. C. F. Todd, Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Mrs. Hardie, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Phipps, Mrs. A. T. Goward, and Mrs. Gray.

The president, in her report, who had taken up the duties of nurse after the resignation of Mrs. Miller.

The financial statement showed the following:

Receipts.	
Bal. on hand, Nov. 30, 1906...	\$ 236 12
Subscriptions.....	\$153 00
Donations.....	24 35
Rent of invalid chair.....	9 00
Collection—	
Mrs. Brooker.....	40 75
Mrs. Wilson.....	67 00
Mrs. Le Page.....	14 25
Mrs. Nicholles.....	60 50
	\$ 818 80
Memo cash in savings bank.....	\$114 92
Expenditure.	
Nurse's salary.....	\$600 00
Nurse's Xmas gift, etc.....	30 00
Janitor's Xmas gift, etc.....	2 00
B. C. Telephone Co.....	33 75
Extra help.....	8 50
Application fee, Women's Council.....	2 00
Printing by chief of police.....	4 50
Chemist.....	4 25
Cabs and expressage.....	10 25
Extra expenses.....	2 25
Trust money for Y.M.C.A.....	20 00
Bicycle.....	56 25
	\$ 764 75
Balance in bank.....	\$ 20 17
	\$114 92

The secretary's report acknowledged the following donations:

To the corporation of Victoria for \$25; to A. T. Goward, manager of the B. C. Electric railway, for a monthly donation of tickets; to C. F. Todd, for his generous monthly subscription of \$5; to J. L. Raymur for kindly auditing the accounts; to the printer, notices and reports inserted in the daily papers; to members of the medical profession for kind assistance and advice; to the Friendly Help Association for food and clothing; to Miss Schofield for assistance in collecting; to the Home Sewing Society, for services rendered; and to all those who so kindly given such generous donations of clothing. The committee also tender their earnest thanks to each and every one of the many subscribers and warm friends of the society.

The list of subscribers is as follows:

Mrs. Hardie, Mrs. Gould, Mr. Newton, Prince Fushimi, Mr. Galletty, Bank of Montreal, Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Goward, Corporation of Victoria, C. F. Todd, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Saunders. Per Mrs. Nicholles—Mr. Billinghurst, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Grimason, Mrs. A. T. Goward, Mrs. Mess, Miss Lettice, Mrs. Moody, Miss Moore, Mrs. Picken, Mrs. Phipps, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Rich, Mrs. Rickaby, Mrs. Toller, Mrs. Verrinder, Mrs. Whitley, Mrs. Wollaston, Miss Williams, Miss Woods. Per Mrs. Le Page—Miss Foster, Mrs. Coker, Mrs. Moore, L. Leigh, Mrs. Le Page. Per Mrs. Wilson—Mrs. T. M. Johnson, Mrs. Abraham Smith, Mrs. Goodacre, Mrs. Henry Young, Mrs. Sayward, Mrs. Garliche, Mrs. Dixi Ross, Mrs. H. F. Heisterman, Mrs. Yorke, Mrs. Nash, Mrs. Harry Young, Mrs. Ker, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Hibbin, Mrs. McB. Smith, Mrs. J. Nicholles, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, Mrs. Crow Baker. Per Mrs. Booker, (annuals)—Mrs. A. Flumerfelt, Mrs. Dunsmuir, Mrs. J. Dunsmuir, Mrs. R. Dunsmuir, Mrs. E. W. Pearce, Mrs. H. Croft, Mrs. C. C. Foley, Mrs. J. D. Pemberton, Lady Crease, Mrs. L. G. McQuade, a friend, Mrs. (Justice) Martin, Mrs. A. P. Luxton, Mrs. J. W. Laing, Mrs. P. Pither, Mrs. R. P. Butchart, Mrs. R. P. Rithet, Mrs. G. A. Kirke, Mrs. A. W. Jones, Mrs. R. S. Day, Miss Angus, Miss Ward, Mrs. McTavish, Mrs. T. B. Smith, Mrs. F. D. Little, Mrs. (Capt.) Freeman, Mrs. F. L. Hughes, Mrs. J. E. Newcombe, Mrs. H. J. Scott, Mrs. F. S. Barnard, Mrs. (Capt.) Troup, Mrs. E. G. Prior, Mrs. (Col.) Holmes, Mrs. C. M. Dumbleton, Mrs. F. Pemberton, Mrs. J. O. Graham, Mrs. Beauland, Mrs. Perrin, Mrs. G. M. Rogers, Mrs. J. H. Lawson, Mrs. C. A. Holland, Mrs. (Dr.) Fagan, Mrs. C. O. Weller, Mrs. (Dr.) Hamilton, Mrs. J. W. Ambury, Mrs. T. W. Patterson, Mrs. R. H. Brown, Mrs. T. S. Gore, Miss O'Reilly, Mrs. J. McArthur, Mrs. A. W. McCurdy, Mrs. P. Peters, Mrs. F. Morris, Mrs. T. Ellis, Mrs. (Col.) Grant, Mrs. G. H. Barnard, Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Mrs. J. Weller, Mrs. (Capt.) Newby, Mrs. H. C. Levy, Mrs. F. M. Rattenbury, Mrs. J. S. H. Matson, Mrs. A. S. Robertson, Mrs. H. J. Wilson, Mrs. H. Coley, Mrs. J. Devereux, Mrs. H. Tye, Mrs. T. Lubbe, Mrs. W. Bayes, Mrs. J. D. French, Mrs. (Dr.) Hasell, Mrs. C. H. Topp, Mrs. A. McDermott, Mrs. W. F. Page, Mrs. (Capt.) Grant, Mrs. (Col.)

Hall, Mrs. L. Marks, Mrs. G. Gillespie, Mrs. J. A. Alkman, Mrs. (Dr.) Robinson, Mrs. J. E. Gray, Mrs. W. H. Finlayson, Hon. F. J. Fulton, Bishop Orth, J. A. Mara, Major Dupont, J. A. Mitchell, C. Hayward, W. Fernie, Mr. Justice Drake, W. Wilson, E. Perkins, Mrs. (Dr.) Milne.

Monthly—Miss Archbutt, Mrs. A. A. Aaronson, Mrs. J. Arbuthnot, Mrs. R. E. Brett, Mrs. F. W. Burton, Mrs. (Capt.) Butler, Mrs. C. Braas, Mrs. J. Brown, Mrs. T. Burns, Mrs. J. Chow, Mrs. F. Carne, Mrs. W. Cathcart, Mrs. W. G. Cameron, Mrs. S. Cooke, Mrs. H. Catterall, Mrs. T. Catterall, Mrs. H. Chipman, Mrs. H. C. Crotty, Mrs. W. Denny, Mrs. T. Elford, Mrs. J. P. Elford, Mrs. J. H. Elford, Mrs. E. Erb, Mrs. R. T. Elliott, Mrs. J. Forman, Mrs. J. Fowler, Mrs. R. F. Green, Mrs. J. H. Greer, Mrs. W. Gill, Mrs. N. B. Greley, Mrs. J. Hinton, Mrs. M. Har- die, Mrs. J. Hunt, Mrs. G. A. Keefe, Mrs. A. G. King, Mrs. J. Langley, Mrs. M. Leiser, Mrs. A. H. Mitchell, Mrs. A. Munroe, Mrs. H. Martin, Mrs. H. Maynard, Mrs. R. McBride, Mrs. T. McLaughlin, Mrs. A. J. Morley, Mrs. J. Nelson, Mrs. F. M. Nolte, Mrs. T. J. Norris, Mrs. C. Pender, Mrs. R. Fortie, Mrs. J. P. Pelletiere, Mrs. H. B. Robertson, Mrs. (Capt.) Rudin, Mrs. D. Spencer, Mrs. C. Spencer, Mrs. J. C. Stevens, Mrs. S. Spring, Mrs. J. F. L. Smith, Mrs. H. Stadhagen, Mrs. (Capt.) Tatlow, Mrs. S. P. Tuck, Mrs. R. Tennant, Mrs. J. Wilson, Mrs. R. R. Woodhill, E. E. M.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Vinetto Suspected of Murdering Little Girl Will Answer Charge at Assizes.

The preliminary hearing of Roger Vinetto, the negro, suspected of the murder of little Clementine Nahu, before Magistrate Kealy at North Vancouver, resulted in his being committed for trial. He will be tried at the spring assizes.

No new evidence was adduced at the preliminary hearing. An important development was submitted by Prosecutor Taylor by chief of police, who advised Police Davis, but the former did not use it. Richard and Jimmie Turner, two half-breed boys, were in court prepared to swear that they saw a negro, who closely resembled the prisoner, on First street, near Iverson's about noon on the Sunday following the murder. He was walking towards the scene of the murder.

Much importance is attached by Mr. Taylor to a statement made by Vinetto after his arrest to Inspector Mulhern of the local force. Chief Campbell of the provincial police, and Chief Davis of the Victoria police, during the time between his release from the Vancouver city jail and his arrest, charged with murder. Vinetto states that he was released on Friday, November 8th. The police records show that he was released on Saturday, November 9th. Vinetto admits wandering toward Moodyville on Saturday morning, but says that he returned to North Vancouver about 9 o'clock. Sam Guthrie identified Vinetto as the negro whom he met at St. David's road, on the way to Moodyville, at 1 o'clock. John Williams swore that he met a negro near the same place on Saturday at 12.45 o'clock.

In his summary Mr. Taylor said that while the evidence was not conclusive as to the guilt of the negro, enough evidence had been submitted to warrant his being held for trial. It was on this basis that Magistrate Kealy, after some hesitation, ordered that Vinetto be committed.

IMPROVING GRADES.

Work on the C. P. R. Tunnels Near Inlet Will Soon Begin.

Work on the actual driving of the two long tunnels between Field and Hector, which are designed to do away with the famous Big Hill on the C. P. R. main line, will be started right away according to a statement made by Jas. A. Macdonell, of the engineering and contracting firm of Macdonell & Goss, who has the contract for the work.

At present workmen are engaged in clearing the approaches to the faces of the four ends of the tunnels. It is the intention to drive the two bores from all four ends at the same time. As soon as the gangs clearing the debris from the approaches have completed their work which will be in a few days, miners and rock drills will attack the four faces.

Mr. Macdonell states that he has not found any scarcity of labor for the big work, in fact, more applications for employment are received than can be entertained.

FLOODS IN COURTENAY.

News from Comox tells of the unusual condition of affairs that existed at Courtenay towards the end of last week. Owing to the excessive rains of the past two weeks, the river was never so high and for a time the valley was flooded.

In some places the water entered the houses and the lower rooms were flooded. In one hotel the bar room and dining room were submerged in six inches of water. At some places the road was under several feet of water. One traveller lost the road and for several hours was in a slough with his horse and rig before he could work his way out.

Rubber boots were in demand and one merchant who carried a large stock of them for years, being unable to unload them, was sold out entirely. The water receded as rapidly as it rose, and fell nine inches in an hour or two. Conditions in the valley are now normal.

WILL WINTER IN EUROPE.

New York, Dec. 7.—Mrs. William Jennings Bryan and her youngest daughter sailed to-day on the steamer Friedrich des Grosse for Europe. They will spend the winter abroad.

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY.

A BY-LAW FOR RAISING THE SUM OF SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS TO PURCHASE FORESHORE LAND IN OAK BAY DISTRICT.

Whereas it is expedient to purchase for corporate purposes Blocks A, B, C, D and E, Section Twenty-Three (23), Victoria District, as shown on the map or plan filed in the Land Registry Office at the City of Victoria, number three hundred and sixty-eight (368), (all of which blocks lie between Oak Bay Avenue and the sea, and are more than one-half of the value of the land within the District (as shown by the last Assessment Roll), requesting the said Council to introduce a By-Law to introduce a By-Law to raise the sum of six thousand dollars by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

1. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to purchase the lands herebefore described at a price of six thousand dollars (\$6,000).

2. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

3. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

4. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

5. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

6. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

7. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

8. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

9. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

10. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

11. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

12. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

13. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

14. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

15. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

16. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

17. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

18. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

19. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

20. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

21. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

22. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

23. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

24. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

25. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

26. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

27. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

28. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

29. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

30. It shall be lawful for the Corporation to raise the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of purchasing the said lands for the purpose of purchase and payment, and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

either in Great Britain, the United States of America or the Dominion of Canada, as may be expressed in the Debentures or coupons.

3. It shall be lawful for the said Reeve to cause the said Debentures and the interest coupons, either or both, to be made payable at such place, either in Great Britain, the United States of America or the Dominion of Canada, as may be desired.

4. For the purpose of raising annually a certain specific sum for the payment of interest on the said Debentures during their currency there shall be raised annually the sum of \$120.00, and for the purpose of creating the sinking fund for the payment of the debt at maturity there shall be raised annually the sum of \$174.46.

5. For the purpose of the payment of the said sums in the next preceding paragraph mentioned there shall be raised and levied in each year a rate of 17-100ths mills on the dollar on all the rateable land, improvements and real property in the District of Oak Bay during the continuance of the said Debentures or any of them.

6. This By-Law shall, before the final passing thereof, receive the assent of the voters of the said Corporation in the manner provided for in the Municipal Clauses Act, and shall take effect on the 2nd day of January, 1908.

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MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY.

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J. S. FLOYD,
Clerk.

Oak Bay, B. C., 26th November, 1907.

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY.

A BY-LAW FOR RAISING THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS TO ERECT BUILDINGS IN OAK BAY DISTRICT FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES.

Whereas it is expedient to construct Municipal Buildings on Blocks V and W, Section 23, Victoria District, as shown on the map or plan filed in the Land Registry Office, City of Victoria (No. 62), for municipal purposes:

And whereas a petition under Section 9 of the Municipal Clauses Act has been presented to the Municipal Council of the District of Oak Bay, signed by the owners of more than one-half (50) of the value of the land within the District (as shown by the last Assessment Roll), requesting the said Council to introduce a By-Law to raise the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) by way of loan upon the credit of the Corporation for the purpose of erecting buildings on the said land for municipal purposes, upon the terms as to payment and otherwise to carry out the objects in this By-Law set forth:

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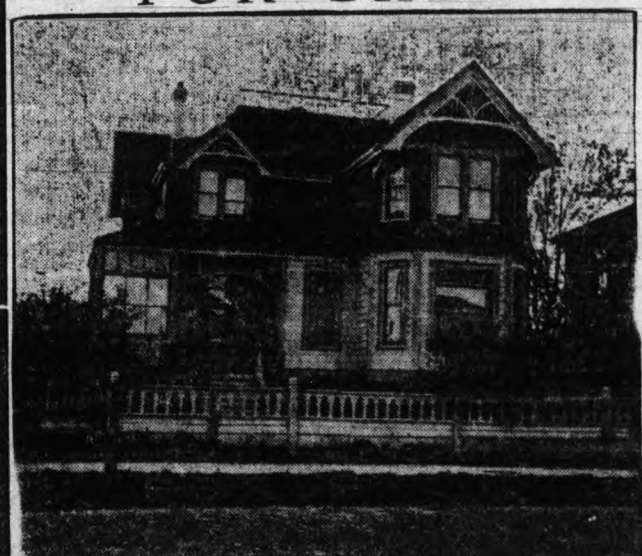
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CHAPTER XXVI. (Continued.)

But in an instant I knew that he was coming after me. Still I ran, going I knew not where, hurrying hither and thither in the dark like a leaf blown by the storm; and always my own wild shrieks rang in my ears as if they had been uttered by some one else.

Before I guessed that I had reached them I was on the stairs. I had been going too fast to save myself, and, though I caught by instinct at the balusters, I pitched down, head foremost.

There was a noise below, which went on and on as I fell, and seemed to be a part of the fall, as were the stars that rained in a cataract before my eyes while my head struck, again and again; yet I knew that it was really not part of it, but separate—quite separate, and far away.

"Thank God I am to die like this, not by his hands!" I thought, in the confusion of my senses.

And then, with a great thud, all the stars went out.

CHAPTER XXVII.

Well, and how is she now?" asked a brisk voice.

"Quieter since midnight—much quieter," answered another.

"And he—is he resting?"

"I persuaded him to go away about half an hour ago, for a nap. He's a wreck, poor fellow! but so happy to see her better. It's quite pitiful. If she lives it will be he who saved her—after you, of course, doctor."

"Not after me, Miss Smith. He has done everything, I very little."

Somebody lay listening to the words. I wondered dimly who the somebody was that seemed to hear with my ears. I wondered, too, whose life had been saved, and who had saved it, and who these people were that talked about it. The first voice was a man's, the other a woman's. Some one had called some one else "Miss Smith."

I had known a Miss Smith in another world, long, long ago, before I had come to live in a place where everybody's head ached, and noises roared in their ears, and red and black clouds stitched with glittering streaks of light hung before their eyes.

I wanted to remember something about the old times when I had known Miss Smith, for it appeared vaguely that many important matters were connected with the name. But trying to remember hurt my head, and wheels began whirling round in my brain,

though the red and black clouds were gone.

Because it hurt to remember, tears gathered thickly in my eyes—or somebody's eyes that were not exactly mine, but might have been once—and as they fell they were burning hot. Suddenly I knew that they had turned to molten iron, and were scarring my cheeks as they ran down, making great furrows in the flesh.

There was only one person in the world who could stop them from falling, for he could do anything. The person had no name, but his hands were strong as steel; I could not rest for a moment without him. Why didn't he come? How cruel of him to leave me alone to suffer like this when he knew very well that he was the only one in this new, horrible world who could help me!

"Where is he? where is he?" somebody was moaning. "Oh, I shall die if he doesn't come now—now!"

Somebody's voice sounded oddly weak and broken. It was pitiful; it made me cry a great deal more.

"Oh, why doesn't he come?"

"Here I am, my own," said a voice that made the hot iron stop falling over my face as if it had been checked by magic. "Here I am; I won't leave you again."

I put out my arms, and dimly I could see that they were thin little white things which waved feebly, quite different from what they had been when I lived in the world. Other arms, that were firm and strong, slipped under my shoulders, and I nestled against something better than a pillow, far more restful, though I could not understand why, because it kept beating, beating, just like a bird which struggled to escape from a hand that held it.

As I lay I could look up at a haggard face. It was brownish-white, with hollows in its cheeks, and bluish marks under its eyes, that were sunken into hollows. Its chin was all dark and rough with a short stubbly beard, which had a dent, or a dimple, or something in the middle, like a blacker shadow than the rest; and suddenly this struck me as very funny. I laughed and laughed foolishly.

"How queer you look!" I babbled. "What a face! You're a fright—a fright! Did you know that? But I like you. Who are you? I keep wondering, and it makes my head ache so."

"Only somebody who loves you dearly, darling," said the voice that belonged to the haggard face. It was a very kind, soothing voice, though it shook a little.

"I don't see what's to become of you"

If this is to go on," another thinner voice whispered, almost fretfully. "You haven't had six hours' sleep in a fortnight. It's more than human nature can stand. Just as he's settling a little better, you'll break down, and then—"

"No, I shan't break down," said the face's voice. "Don't you know it's life for me to think that she needs me, that she calls me when I leave her side? I couldn't break down while she wants me."

"I want you, I want to know who you are," the voice which was partly mine repeated.

One day I waked up and looked all round a cool, pleasant room in a strange house. I was in bed, and my hands were very little and white. A woman in a gray dress like a nurse's uniform sat by me and waved a fan.

Somebody had walked away as I opened my eyes, but I did not feel enough curiosity to turn and see who it was. I was hungry, and demanded things to eat.

The gray woman gave me soup, which was rather nice; and when I asked questions, afterwards, she said that I had been very ill, but was fast getting better now; I was at a friend's house, and there was nothing to worry about. If I were good I should know everything I wanted to know in a day or two.

So I was good; and often I had soup and other things. But I could not get certain how long it was before a nice ugly old lady came and smiled at me over the nurse's shoulder. I knew her at once, and said so.

"Why, you're plain Miss Smith!" I exclaimed, and wondered why she laughed.

I was at her house, it seemed, and I was glad, though I was rather angry with her because she would not let me try to remember how I came there.

Presently, when I was stronger and had begun to sit up, Anne Bryden came and often sat with me for a long time quite alone when the nurse was walking or resting, for I did not need much watching now. Once when she thought I had been asleep I was really thinking.

"Why did you write me a cold letter, Anne?" I asked; "I can't remember what it was about now, but it made me feel so sad and lonely the day I had it."

To my surprise, she burst out crying. "Oh, I've been punished enough for what I did," she sobbed. "Can you ever forgive me? It's all my fault."

But at this moment the nurse came in and scolded Anne in a low voice, telling her she must have more self-control. Anne was not left alone with me after that.

It seemed when I first began to try, that I should have to learn how to walk all over again, and my hair had been cut off short. I felt it with my fingers, and it covered my head in short rings not much longer than a baby's. It had been still shorter, but it had begun to grow very fast, the nurse told me, and she did not think it was coming out any darker; with which information she seemed to consider I should be very pleased.

Miss Smith gave me a pink silk dressing gown trimmed with lace. I must try to get some color to match it in my cheeks, she said. The second day that I wore it I was looking at some flowers which had just been sent in (there were flowers every day, quantities of them; "and such beauties, all out of season!" I had heard the nurse exclaim), when Miss Smith appeared to ask if I were well enough to see an old friend. Lady Sophie de Grettton had come to call on me because she could not wait any longer, and she had been staying at a hotel near by for a week, hoping to be given this opportunity.

A shudder ran through me from head to foot, and the floodgates of memory were suddenly burst open; but I pressed my lips together, and did not speak for a moment. I was so well and strong again now that I could bear the shock, or I suppose Miss Smith and the doctor, talking it over together as they surely had, would not have let Lady Sophie come.

"Yes, I will see her; I shall be glad," I said at last, and the door opened.

How all the old times rushed back, how the old days crowded round me like pale ghosts, as the handsome, elegantly dressed woman moved silkily in!

She was very quiet, very subdued in her manner; no doubt she had had her instructions.

"Poor little girl!" she said softly, and patted my hand as she sat down by my sofa. The nurse and Miss Smith had gone out. We were alone together.

"It is good of you to come," I said. "I want you to tell me things; will you?"

"Yes," she answered. "They said I might answer any question you asked, for you have been patient, and you are practically well now, only you were weak, and they thought if you saw me it might bring things back in a safe way. They thought, too, you might rather ask me than most other people, because I knew all the circumstances from the beginning. And we were very good friends once; do say we are so still, for I have been very unhappy, and shall be so till things between us are as they were before."

"We are friends," I responded; "it is good to see you again. But you know, things can never be as they were before; I remember everything—everything now. I have just got to live my life the best I can; I am to get well. I wonder how I got well? How did I escape from that awful house, that awful man? I am afraid of him still. I have seen his face in dreams; it haunts me always, and did even before I could recall where I had seen it, what it meant to me."

"You need not be afraid of him any more," said Lady Sophie; "he is dead. He has shot himself. I suppose he saw that not only was the stake he had played for lost, but that his life was hopelessly ruined. Perhaps, too, there was enough decency left in his black heart to make him wish not to involve his friends in his ruin."

"He was a murderer," I cried. "I know that he killed my mother. Perhaps I could never have proved it. But I feel that it was true, nevertheless. Oh, the horror of that awful night at

Arrish Hall! I wonder I have not died of it, even though by some miracle, which I don't understand yet, I was saved."

"You have almost died of it, poor child! You have had brain fever, and for many days and nights no one dreamed that you could live. You couldn't have lived if it had not been for one person who nursed you back to life by sheer force of will, it seemed, and a tremendous power of endurance, when everyone else's hope and strength had failed."

"Ah, yes, Sister Milton, the nurse," I echoed; "Miss Smith told me she had been most faithful and devoted."

"No doubt, but I don't mean Sister Milton."

"I would tell you if you hadn't said one thing a few minutes ago."

"I don't understand. What has that to do with it?"

"You said that nothing could be as it had been before the night at Southwood Park. Of course, I know how you intended me to take that."

I felt the color stream up to my thin white face.

"I think I have forgiven him," I stammered. "Only, of course, we could never meet. When your ideal is broken nothing can mend it, you know, Lady Sophie. Sir George Seaforth wasn't the man I had thought him; I wish you hadn't made me speak of him this first day with you, but I can't pretend to misunderstand, and I mean to try and get me to say I will let him come here, it's useless. I never, never want to see him again."

"Not even if it was he who saved your life—not only once, on the night you spoke of, but a hundred times since, almost losing his own in doing it?"

I stared at her, aghast and dazed.

"It is true," she hurried on. "I am not exaggerating. He ought to tell you himself, but he would not, I know. You would never hear a word of all he has done from his lips. Perhaps, if you told your friend Anne Bryden ought to tell you for part of the story concerning her. But it would be a hard thing for her to confess to you. She has already confessed to me, and conscience has punished her enough, so you shall hear the history of that night and the six weeks which have passed since—if you care."

"Six weeks?" I repeated. "Six weeks! Oh, yes, I do—I do care to hear! But—"

"Don't say any 'buts' until I have finished. I must begin before that night. There's a great deal to tell, and it's hard to know how best to piece together all the bits of the mosaic. You wrote to Anne Bryden after you arrived at Lull, didn't you, and said you thought of waiting at a fisherman's cottage for Miss Smith to come back?"

"Yes," I said mechanically, in my suspense.

"Well, she was the only one who knew where you were. Meanwhile, you can imagine the state of mind George Seaforth was in, and I was almost as bad. I don't think I ever knew George till then—of what depths of feeling he was capable. I think even you would have forgiven him if you had seen him as I saw him. One of the first things he did, after he had applied for help to Scotland Yard and we had talked over matters together, was to go to Miss Bryden, from whom I thought he might learn something. She had already got your letter, the very day he saw her, it seems; but she told him nothing."

"She knew I would not wish it," I defended Anne.

"No, it was not that. She has told me since why it was. George laid his heart bare to her, humbling himself, and pleading that if she knew anything of you she would tell it. You would not listen to him, but she did; and she realized that he had not been the cold-blooded, deliberate stunner you had believed him. She felt, she says now, that if you had heard him speak you would not have held out against him. Still, she told him she was absolutely ignorant of your movements. Can you guess why?"

"Not unless it was, somehow, for my sake."

"It was for her own—her own selfishness. The first time that she saw

George she admired him above all other men, and she used to dwell upon the thought of him in secret until it became a sort of fascination. She was jealous of you because you were beautiful and could win his love, and because at my house you could meet him every day."

"She guessed that he cared for you. When he came to question her, she knew the whole truth of his feeling, of course, and she told herself that she could not give him up to you. He could never be anything to her, but she could not bear that you should have everything she was denied. That was the reason for her silence, and it was a silence which nearly cost you your life."

"Poor Anne!" I murmured. "Poor Anne!"

"How easy it is for you to forgive her! Not that one grudges it to the poor girl; for she has bitterly repented and done her best to make amends. If she had given George your address at first, you would have been spared the horrors at Arrish Hall. She did not do that, but she had not a peaceful moment after she had let him go. Her treachery to you was corroding her heart; those are her own words about it to me."

"At last she came to my house and told how she had sinned in omission. She gave me your letter, and begged me to let George know as much of the truth as necessary. Of course, I would not betray the confession of her motive. I telegraphed him at once; he was in Devonshire, following up a misleading clue suggested by the police."

"But before all these developments had come about something else had happened, which you must hear now, before you can understand how serious a misfortune George and I had reason to think your disappearance. In any case, his grief and remorse would have been terribly hard to bear—anxiety as well; but as it was we feared a great danger for you."

"You had left the drawers of the Chippendale desk scattered over the floor of your room—or, rather, as you had told me, Diana Dunbar had left them so. When I called George to consult with me there, after you had gone, I told him of her visit, what she had said, what she had done. You and he had had a talk about the man Wynnstay; George knew more than I knew you had told me of the escriptorie."

"We exchanged details of information, and agreed that there was something exceedingly strange under the Dunbars' interest in you, which they appeared to share with their solicitor, Mr. Wynnstay. It was certain that Diana had availed herself of her privileges as George's friend and your acquaintance to gain access to the room where the desk stood, and after hearing of the sale from Wynnstay."

"George would not have touched the escriptorie until you should have been back; but I was very much excited, very indignant with the Dunbars for everything, and I determined that the desk should not be left alone and at the mercy of their scheming until the secret drawer and the papers which might be hidden in it were found. I am not a patient woman, as you know, and I acted without hesitation."

"I did not wait to search for such a drawer, but I flung the escriptorie on the floor before George could stop me, and broke it. I found what I wanted, Conuelo, and it was a discovery worth making."

CHAPTER XXVIII.

"Ring Out the Old, Ring in the New."

"What was the discovery?" I echoed, with growing interest.

"Wait!" cried Lady Sophie; "that will come by and by. There are other things to tell first, but now you can guess why we were anxious about you. A motive was supplied—a motive strong enough to tempt unscrupulous ones to evil things; and though your friends had not been able to trace you, we feared that your enemies might have been better informed from the first."

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"Still, there was no real reason to believe that your situation was not genuine, and he hardly felt justified in going to Arrish Hall at half past eleven at night (it would be that or after by the time he could arrive there, and Miss Smith had talked for more than an hour), demanding that you should come away with him."

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NUMBERS—12, 35, 36, 40, 42, 44, 45, 50, 55, 61, 64, 66, 78, 83, 339, 683.

WANTED—MALE HELP.

Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—First-class representative, one that can introduce good business. Apply, stating terms, etc., to The Rev. Milton Construction Company, 619 Hastings St. W., Vancouver, B. C.

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WANTED—Boy, 17 years old, to learn trade. Address A. B., Times Office.

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WANTED—Experienced man for liquor department. Fell & Co.

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ANY INTELLIGENT PERSON may earn \$75 to \$100 monthly corresponding for newspapers; sure, steady work; no canvassing; experience unnecessary. Send for particulars. Press Syndicate, Lockport, N. Y.

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WANTED—Woman or girl for house work, in English family in Seattle, good home. Apply Box 54, Seattle.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

MONEY TO LOAN in sums of \$1,200 up. Apply Box 131, Times.

TRIMBLE & SON, general teaming, ploughing and excavating. 17 Putnam street. Phone A1329.

WANTED—Copying for a few hours each evening, manuscript, letters, etc., neatly typewritten at reasonable rates. Apply MSS, Times Office.

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JAPANESE EMPLOYMENT OFFICE—All kinds of labor supplied at short notice. 1901 Government street.

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THE JAPANESE GENERAL CONTRACT CO., LTD., 20 Store street, telephone No. 1598. Labor supplied, of any number or description, on short notice.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL—Having purchased the blacksmith and carriage shop of W. A. Robertson & Son, 56 Douglas street, between Douglas and Government streets, I am now prepared to do all kinds of carriage, blacksmith, painting and horse shoeing, etc. I make a specialty of shoeing horses, repairing carriages, etc. Attention is called to my change of address, and all old customers and new ones are cordially invited to give me a call. J. J. Fisher, 16 Discovery street.

THE LATEST sheet metal electric signs. P. O. Box 1214, Victoria, B. C. Phone B1214.

CONTRACTORS—We can furnish you with laborers, or any kind of men, at short notice. Poles, Slaves, Huns, Italians, Lithuanians, etc.; also several well trained monkey. Boston Shipping Co., 13 Norfolk street, New York City.

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TO LET—Large furnished rooms, either by week or month. 732 Kane street.

LARGE, COMFORTABLE ROOMS, newly furnished, and heated, parlor, bath and phone, four blocks from Dominion Hotel. 118 Yates street.

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TO LET—A furnished room, suitable for 2 gentlemen, 1203 Quadra street. Phone 250.

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Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

LOST—A lady's silver watch, Sunday, 24th November, between Gorge road and South Turner street. Reward at this office.

LOST—Saturday night, in Victoria the are on Port street cars, gold safety watch with nugget. Will under please leave at Times Office.

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\$1,800 MORTGAGE at 8 per cent. Interest wanted on 20 good lots. Apply "Owner," Times Office.

WANTED—By English woman, position by the day, or light work. Address Box 78, Times Office.

WANTED—By refined, capable woman, position as housekeeper, or care of one child. Address Box 78, Times Office.

WANTED—A 16 ft. Peterboro canoe and a small wall tent. Apply P. O. Box 138, etc.

WANTED—Old cotton rags; must be clean. Times Office.

WANTED—Old coats and vests, pants, boots and shoes, trunks, valises, shotguns, revolvers, overcoats, etc. Highest cash prices paid. Will call at any address. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 84 Johnson street, two doors below Government street.

WANTED—Scrap brass, copper, zinc, lead, cast iron, sacks, and all kinds of bottles and rubber; highest cash prices paid. Victoria Junk Agency, 20 and 22 Store street. Phone 1334.

FOR SALE.

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A SNAP—Lot on Richmond avenue, price \$95 for quick sale. Globe Agency Co., Mahon Bldg.

GORDON HEAD—2½ acres and five room cottage, price \$2,500. P. O. Box 702.

FOR SALE—3½ acres at Elk Lake, good soil, partly cleared, price \$1,500. Globe Agency Co., Mahon Bldg.

FOR SALE—10 lots, in beautiful situation, \$200 each, easy terms; inferior lots adjoining sold at \$300 each. Write for particulars to No. 129, office of Victoria Daily Times.

4 CHOICE LARGE LOTS—Making altogether nearly an acre, in nice situation, on important thoroughfare, well within the city limits, with good water, exposure, fenced, and were at one time under cultivation, car extension past the property said to be projected, water mains, electric light and telephone lines already there. For the four, \$2,000, on easy terms, or \$1,200 cash. Addressing owner, 400 yards from railway station, less favorably placed, held at about double this price. Address "Proprietor," No. 130, Times Office.

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FOR SALE—3 valuable lots, in very important situation, sold a year ago for \$2,000 each, \$1,000 paid, purchaser unable to continue payments; vendor will sell for balance of \$2,000, plus \$100 for taxes and expenses. \$1,200 cash, mortgage \$1,300 at 6 per cent. The lots were a good buy at \$2,000 each. They are a very decided snap on the above terms. Apply to 127 Times Office.

FOR SALE—Fine all modern house, splendid finish, 10 rooms, 2 lots, near car line, close in at a low price. A 10 roomed modern brick house, car line, good location, lot 60x150, at half cost of house. A new house, new barn, chicken house, etc., lot 100x200, on car line, good location, near car, for \$2,000. Lots 60x200, same location, cheap. 20 acres, near city, with good fruit, water, etc. All fruit land, no rock, at a bargain. Apply C. H. Revercomb, 618 Troughton avenue.

SLAUGHTER SALE of 25 cots at \$2.50 each. R. W. Smith, 310 R. Soper, corner Cook and North Park streets.

\$100 CASH and fifteen dollars per month buys six roomed house, James Bay. Address P. O. Box 411.

IMPORTANT SALE—Victoria Loan & Security Co. (Landsberg's Museum), 43 Johnson street, retiring from business. Entire stock of undredeemed pledges, watches, jewelry, antiques, firearms, musical and optical goods, curios, etc., must be sold regardless of cost. Every article a bargain. Sale now on. All pledges must be redeemed before the end of the year.

FOR SALE—Good driving mare, harness and buggy. Apply Times Office.

FOR SALE—Choice building site, abutting on Parliament street, desirable location. \$2,500; 2 good lots on Parliament Buildings block, together, and forming a fine site for hotel, boarding house, or business premises, \$2,500 each; terms to suit purchaser. Latimer & Ney, real estate agents, 18 Troughton avenue, Victoria.

FOR SALE—A first-class, old established cake and confectionery business, with excellent stand. Address Box 64, Times Office.

FOR SALE—Several agreements of sale more or less well paid up on property now very much more valuable than at time of sale. A safe investment, returning 12 per cent. on your money. Box 5, Times Office.

FOR SALE—Auxiliary yacht "Ariadne," lately overhauled, with full equipment. Apply Crease & Crease, 11 Fort street, Victoria, B. C.

FOR SALE—A beautiful home, from which present occupant desires to leave, come from paying guests; \$4,000 cash, balance mortgage. Particulars Post Office Box 8.

CHOICE BUILDING SITE, abutting on parliament grounds. \$2,500; 4 large lots on Hillside avenue, \$750 each; 3 finely situated lots, on Cook street (Smith Hill) commanding view of city, \$1,000 each; 2 good lots, on same block, \$1,000 each; several good blocks of acreage, near city limits, at reasonable prices; 2 good lots, together, on same block as parliament buildings, fine site for boarding house or business premises, \$2,500 each. Easy terms on all lots. Further particulars from proprietor, S. E. Peterson, Woodlands, Cedar Vale, Victoria, or Latimer & Ney, real estate agents, 18 Troughton avenue, Victoria.

FOR SALE—Shotgun, 12 bore, Richards make, 18 in. barrel, 3 in. gauge. Barker makes, \$12; automobile horn, \$15; gold rings, \$25; ladies' chateaux watches, \$4.50; men's double watch chains, \$2.75; 4 Johnson street, two doors below Government.

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HIGHLAND DISTRICT—400 acres for \$1,750.

NEW MODERN SEVEN ROOMED BUNGALOW—James Bay, good location and furnace. This makes a first-class home. \$2,500.

THREE LOTS—Work Estate, \$75 each for a few days.

\$1,500—Buys a good corner lot on South Turner and Niagara streets, easy terms.

\$4,200—For a modern bungalow, on outskirts of city, with good fruit and vegetable garden. Fifteen bearing fruit trees, besides raspberries, strawberries and other small fruit, tennis court.

\$1,700—Buys a five roomed cottage, in good repair, just off Oak Bay avenue.

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FOR SALE.

GOOD COMFORTABLE 6 ROOM HOUSE—On brick foundation, with three lots, fine soil, price \$1,000; ¼ cash, balance on easy terms.

FOR SALE.

COTTAGE—rooms, with lot 60x150, on a good street, all in perfect condition inside and out, modern conveniences, price \$2,000; ¼ cash, balance on easy terms.

MODERN BUNGALOW—Six rooms, lot 60x120, excellent location, now in course of construction, will make alterations if required to suit purchaser; first-class plumbing, basement and attic; a fine chance to get a nice, comfortable home for a small family. Particulars on application.

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When these are just as good as mother used to make.

HOME-MADE "DIXI" PLUM PUDDINGS, excellent, per bowl 75c.
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CHRISTIE'S FRUIT CAKE, each 30c. to 65c.
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AT SALE ROOMS 1314 BROAD ST.

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Also the balance of the

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On View at 637 Fort St on

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See us for Bedroom Suites, Dining Room Furniture and General House Furnishings. We buy as well as sell.

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Est. 1888. 3 Doors Above Douglas. Look us up for first-class Air-Tight Heaters and Stoves.

BARGAINS.—Regal Perfection Range with coil, almost new; Prism Gramophone in good order, with 40 records; also other household furniture. Call or phone A1340—A. J. WINSTONE, 53 Blanchard street, near Yates.

The Australian tallgrass, or bush turkey, is the only bird that leaves the egg fully feathered. The egg of this breed is not hatched by the incubation of the mother, but by the heat of a mound of leaves, which the old birds collect, and in which the hen buries her eggs.

YES! WE SELL RICE

We have just received a fine line of CHINA RICE—something first-class and reasonable in price.

\$2.00 PER MAT 50 POUNDS

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Ship Chandlery, Plough Steel, Wire Rope Galvanized, Cotton and Wool Waste, Launch Supplies, Gasoline, Motor and 74 per cent.

1214 (78) Wharf Street, Victoria, B. C.

CALLS R. L. BORDEN AN OPPORTUNIST

Sir Wilfrid Says Opposition Leader Is Abetting Re-Introduction of Racial Prejudices in B. C.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Speaking at the Liberal nominating convention held here, Sir Wilfrid Laurier characterized Mr. Borden as an opportunist in abetting the re-introduction of racial prejudices in British Columbia. He would say to British Columbia: "I do not share your sentiments. So long as I have the honor to be the adviser of his excellency, never will I do anything to endanger the alliance between the British lion and the Japanese crown. No man is worthy of calling himself a leader of a political party who is not ready to run the risk of losing the popularity of his party and to do his duty to his country."

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Is just as sweet and full of flavor and nourishment as it can be. Ready to serve at any hour. But insist on getting Clark's.

COPPER MINES IN YUKON.

Dr. Thompson, M. P., Forcosew New Butte City in Far North.

"I confidently believe that within 15 years the Yukon will have a city the size of Butte, Montana, built up like it, by the development of copper mining." This rather surprising statement was made by Dr. Thompson, M. P., of Dawson City, who was in Toronto a few days ago.

"The largest undeveloped copper deposits in the world, I believe, lie up in the Yukon," he said, "some 200 miles from White Horse, and about 125 miles from Dawson. The copper is of good quality, too, and there is no doubt of an immense undertaking being built up in that country."

"The deposits lie right near the boundary line, between Yukon and Alaska, and as there has been some doubt as to the exact location of the boundary, prospectors have been registering their claims both in Yukon and Alaska. The boundary, however, is the 141st meridian, so that it can be definitely and accurately fixed. A commission has been working on this during the past summer, and will probably finish next year, and I am happy to say that nearly all the deposits will be found to lie on the Canadian side."

"These copper mines are being worked now," he concluded, "but they are not shipping at present on account of the very low price of copper."

AIRSHIP TRIAL WAS SUCCESSFUL

Professor Bell's Cygnet, Built in Canada, Maintained Its Poise Without Accident.

Baddeck, Cape Breton, Dec. 7.—The Tetrahedral Kite Cygnet, the airship invention of Professor Alexander Graham Bell, made a successful ascent yesterday above the waters of the Bras D'Or lakes, where Professor Bell's summer home and experimental laboratory are located, carrying Lieut. Thomas E. Selfridge, of the United States army. The big kite soared aloft with remarkable ease and maintained its poise without accident, while it was towed along above the water by a small steam launch. To the group of experimenters associated with Professor Bell, this performance of the kite was regarded as entirely satisfactory. Thus far the Cygnet has not been furnished with a motor for self propulsion, although a space for such a motor was provided. Professor Bell desired to make a practical test of the buoyancy and balance of the invention before installing the motor and the ascension was one of the first of these tests. Lieut. Selfridge occupied the place in the machine arranged for its operator. He was able to manipulate the aeroplane at will and to preserve its poise with apparent ease.

THE MIDDLE AGES.

"Electric light cut off?" said Judge Willis at the Greenwich County court in England recently. "I should regard that as a blessing. Candles are good enough for me."

A cow's hide produces about twice as much leather as that of a horse.

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Could you think of anything that would please Mother or Father more than a nice pair of Gold Spectacles or Eyeglasses? Price from

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REPORTED FIND OF GOOD COAL

ON BEAR RIVER IN NORTHERN CARIBOO

Discovery Is Said to be Rich and Within Range of Grand Trunk Pacific.

Bituminous coal fields which promise to rival those of the Crow's Nest Pass district in size and importance have been discovered on Bear River, in the northern part of Cariboo district, according to J. Wendle. They are situated ten miles from the Grand canyon of the Fraser river, and are located on the main line of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, and a hundred miles northwest of Barkerville. Twenty locations, each one mile square, were made during the past season by Joseph Wendle, a Barkerville mining man, on behalf of himself and his partner, B. A. Laselle, general manager of the China Creek Hydraulic Company, operating in the vicinity of Quesnel and Barkerville. Mr. Laselle has left here for New York to close a deal with some of his business associates for the sale of a large interest in the proposition. He will also complete arrangements for developing the coal measures on an extensive scale.

"Mr. Laselle and I discovered the coal basin ten years ago when out on a prospecting expedition," said Mr. Wendle. "As the advent of railways looked a very remote possibility we guarded the secret well until convinced that the Grand Trunk Pacific would traverse the region. I went north this summer and made the locations which embrace all the known coal lands in the Bear River district. The coal outcrops in many places. I know of at least twenty. These, most of which are unworked owing to their small size. Two of them, however, can be developed on an extensive scale, as they have a thickness of six and eight feet, respectively. The outcrop was first found at a point where the measures are cut by the steep banks of Bear river, a tributary of the Fraser."

"It is exceedingly strong, occurring in an ideal formation of conglomerate and sandstone. The location is ten miles southwest of the Grand canyon of the Fraser and about the same distance from a point where engineers of the Grand Trunk Pacific are making location surveys. If other trial lines are adopted, the main line will actually traverse our claims. In any event we are certain in time to have a branch line built into the coal basin, which undoubtedly contains millions of tons of coal, or perhaps I should say coal in practically inexhaustible quantities."

"These measures constitute the first coal lands ever discovered in Northern Cariboo, and will be of great economic importance in connection with the new transcontinental line. The other nearest coal lands are situated about three hundred miles farther west, in the Teliqua district. A series of analysis show that the coal is of the bituminous variety running over 65 per cent. in fixed carbon, and being equal to the highest grade coal mined on Vancouver Island. It is low in ash, and is also adapted for steaming and cooking purposes. Mr. Laselle is now in New York to confer with our associates. I expect that he will make arrangements during his stay in the east to have the coal measures opened up, but just when I am unable to state."

"The region is virtually unknown to prospectors, but would well repay a visit. Adjoining the coal basin is a country which gives indications of being highly mineralized. Prospecting, however, will prove difficult as the

Xmas Decorations

DAINTY FLOWER HOLDERS YOU SHOULD HAVE

WE WOULD LIKE to be able to reproduce in actual colors for your observation here, the many exquisite flower holders in fancy glass we are now showing. That is impossible, though, so come in and see the beautiful things for yourself—that's the better plan, anyway. The new arrivals from Europe disclose some mighty interesting glass creations. The shapes are new, the colorings exquisite, and the glass of best quality. We bought a big lot and we are in a position to offer you some decided savings. You'll find the prices quite as interesting as the goods themselves. You'll need some for Christmas.



FLOWER STANDS—These Flower Stands, for table centres, come in a great variety of styles at various prices. We have them ranging from the plain glass with a single stem to the most elaborate sort with half a dozen holders. Prices range from \$1.50 down to \$1.00.

FLOWER BASKETS—The new styles in Flower Baskets fresh from the largest British Factory are very handsome. The shape is the same as the holder in centre of illustration, and decorated as it is with heavy gold, makes a very handsome flower holder. Price, each, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

TWO GIFT PIECES FOR MEN

Two Gifts, for Gentlemen, that deserve especial mention in passing are these. A desk and bookcase most any young man would receive with joy, and more especially a desk such as this one, fitted as it is with so many convenient compartments. The gentleman's chiffonier is another article that will appeal to Mr. Man, especially if he is particular at all as to his personal appearance and likes to have his little dressing helps conveniently arranged. Either gift would be appreciated by most any man.

DESK AND BOOK CASE—This is the regular Roll Top Desk, with detachable Book Case on top. Desk is fitted with a convenient arrangement of cabinets and drawers. Price \$30.00.

GENTLEMAN'S CHIFFONIER—This is a very pretty style in Golden Oak, finely finished. Has 4 drawers and a large oval bevel mirror of best quality. Price is only \$25.00.

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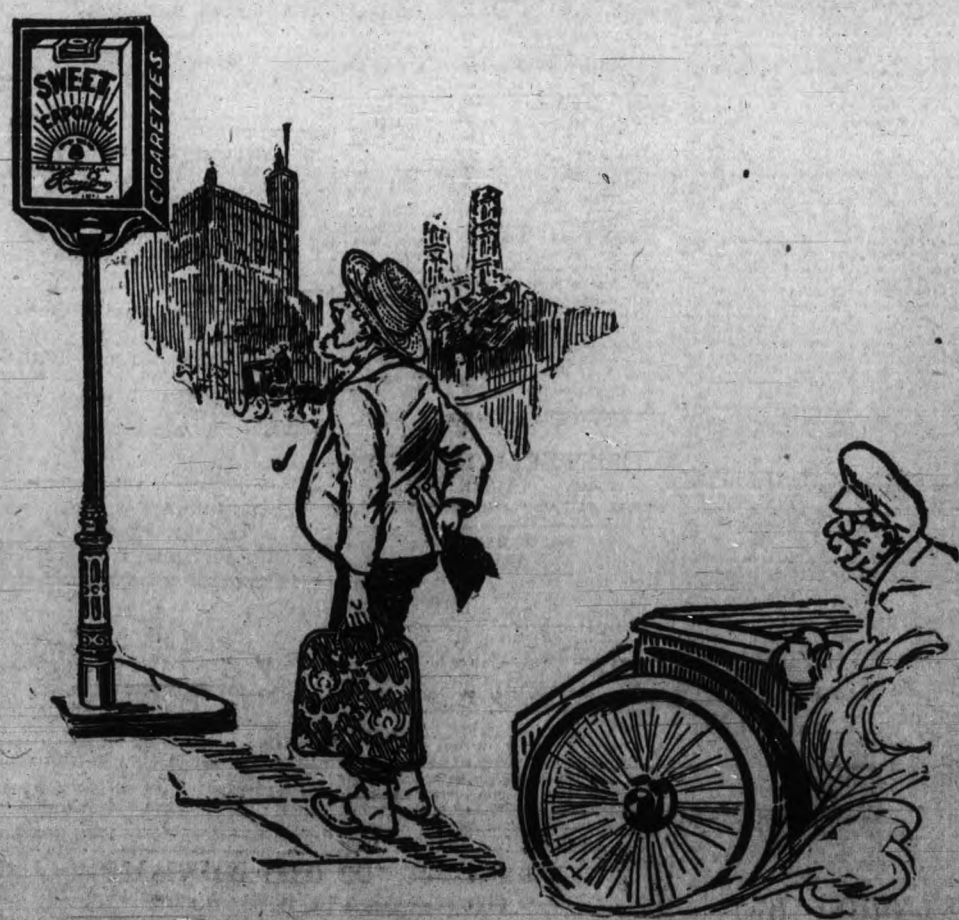
Chicago, Dec. 8.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington, D. C., says: The position of the United States as a naval power in the Far East may be seriously jeopardized by the sharp controversy which has been in progress for several weeks between the army and navy.

The controversy arose as a result of the decision of the general board of the navy to establish a naval base at Subig

bay, Island of Luzon. The army insists that the proper place for this base is Manila.

Secretary Taft inspected both Manila and Subig bay while in the Philippines, and sides with the army. Admiral Dewey insists that a gross strategic blunder would be committed if Manila bay should be made the naval refuge. The general staff of the army is engaged in preparing a memorandum setting forth its reasons why Manila should be selected. The general board of the navy is engaged in a like task. The joint board of the army and navy is considering the subject. Secretary Taft is understood to have reduced his views to writing. These various documents will be laid before the president, and his decision will be final.

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